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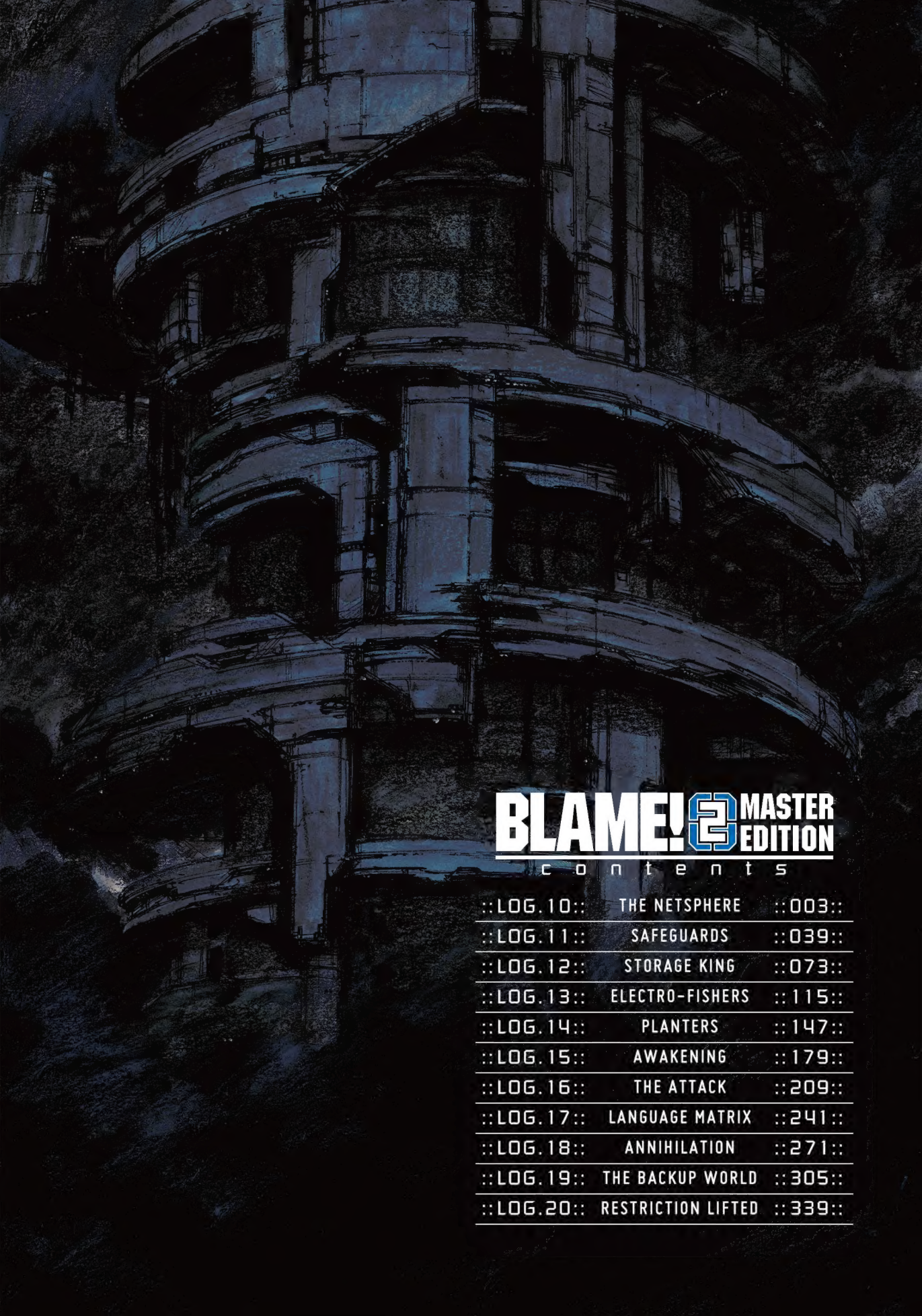
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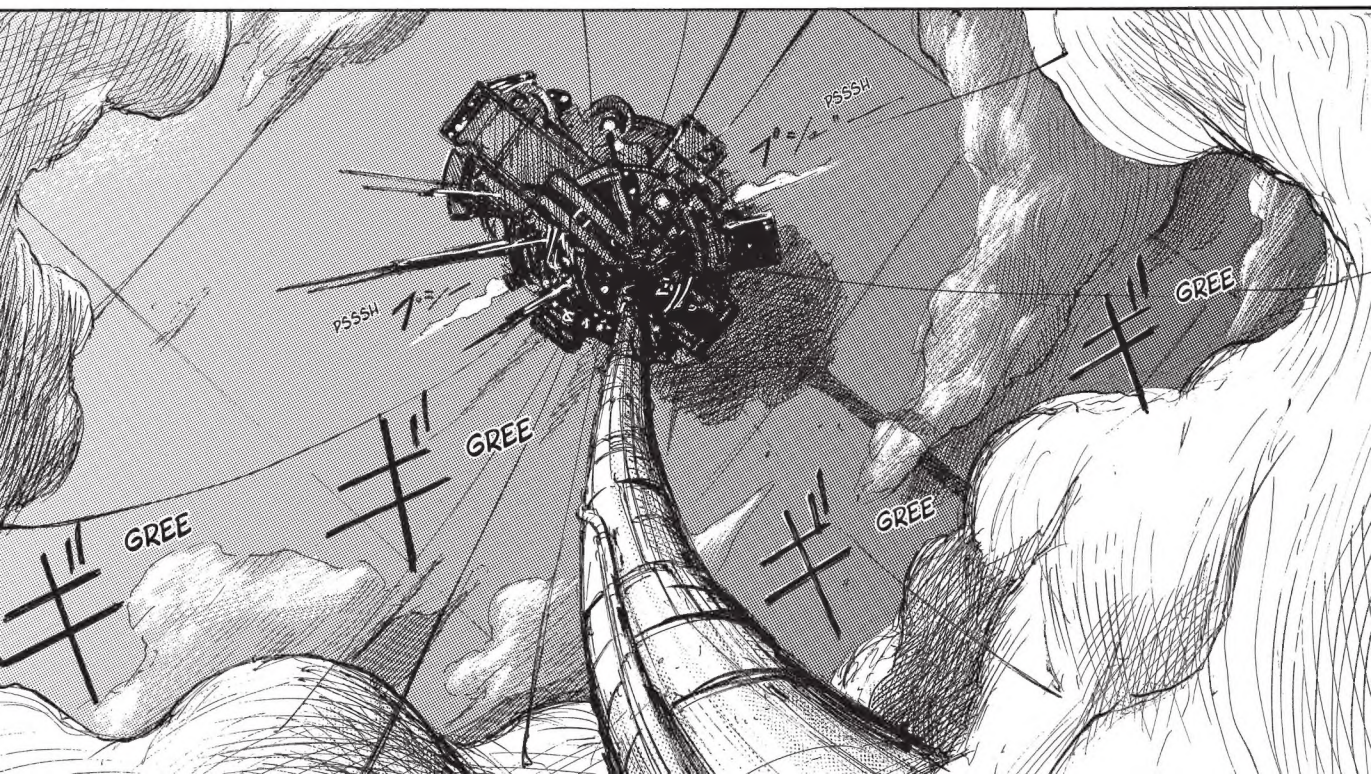
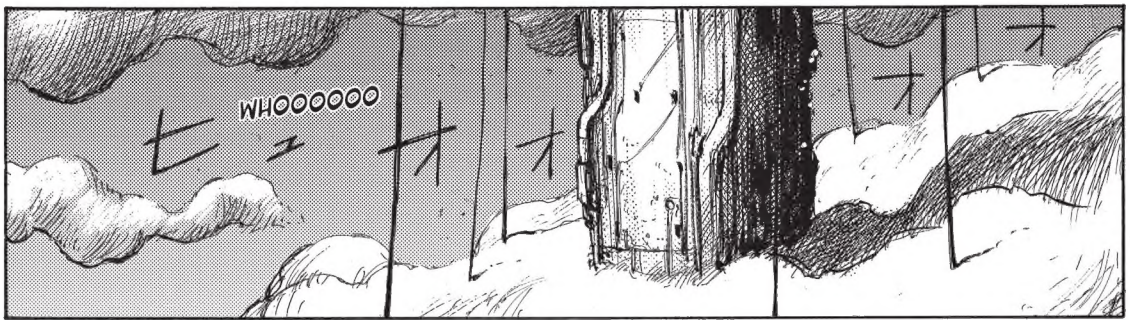
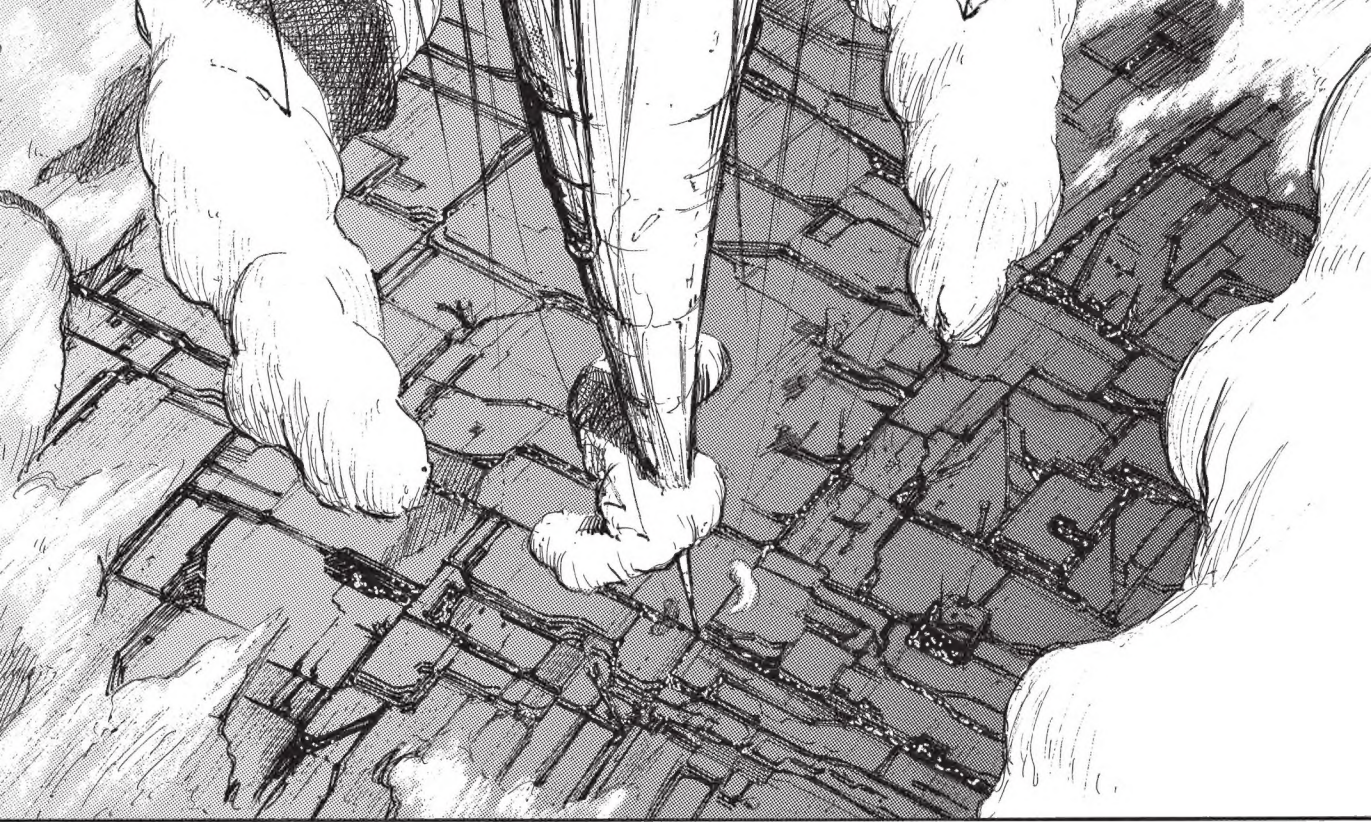
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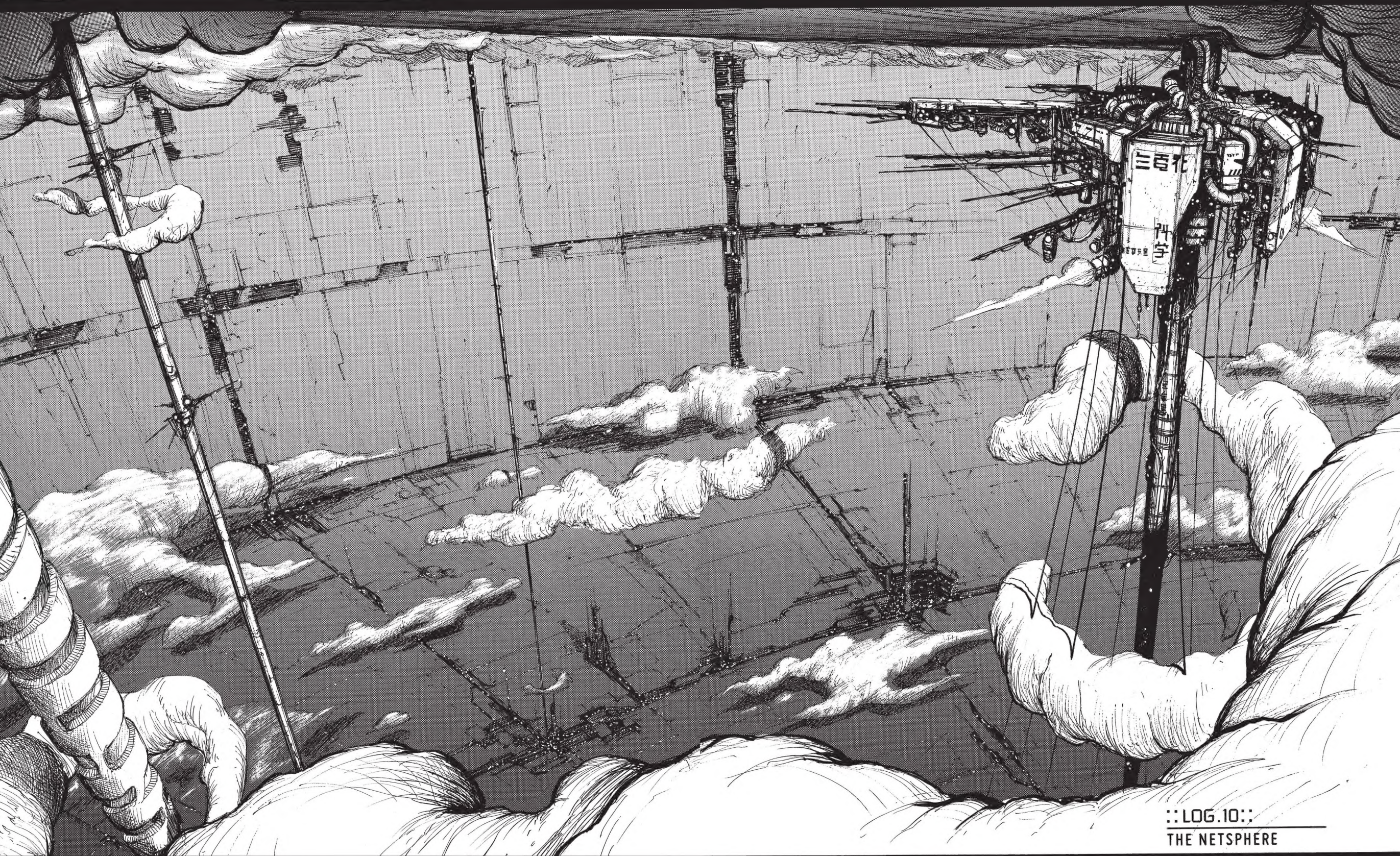


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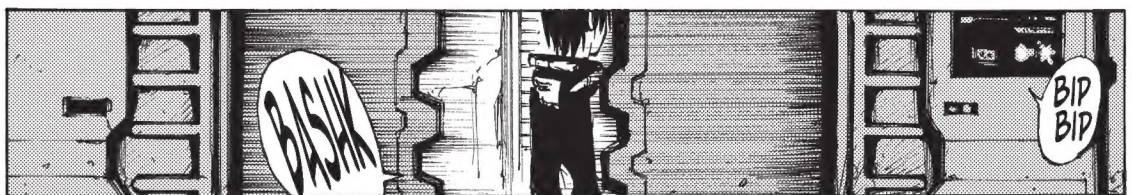
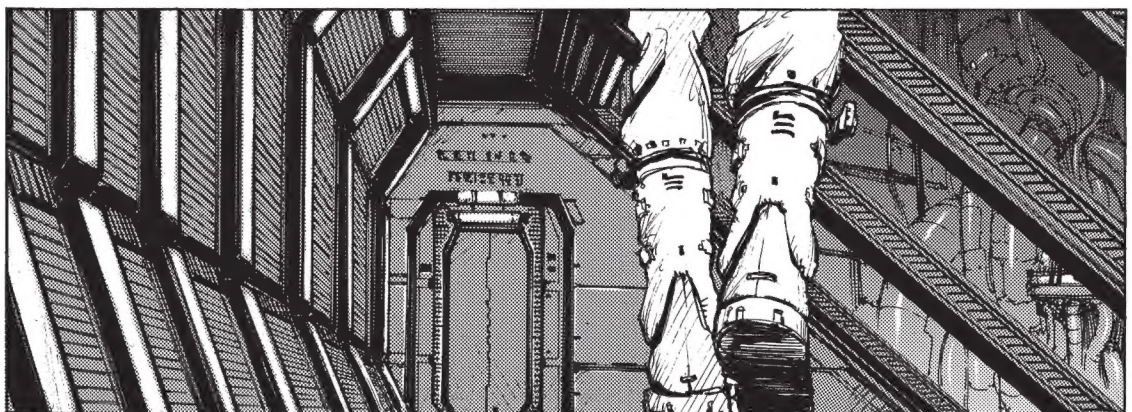
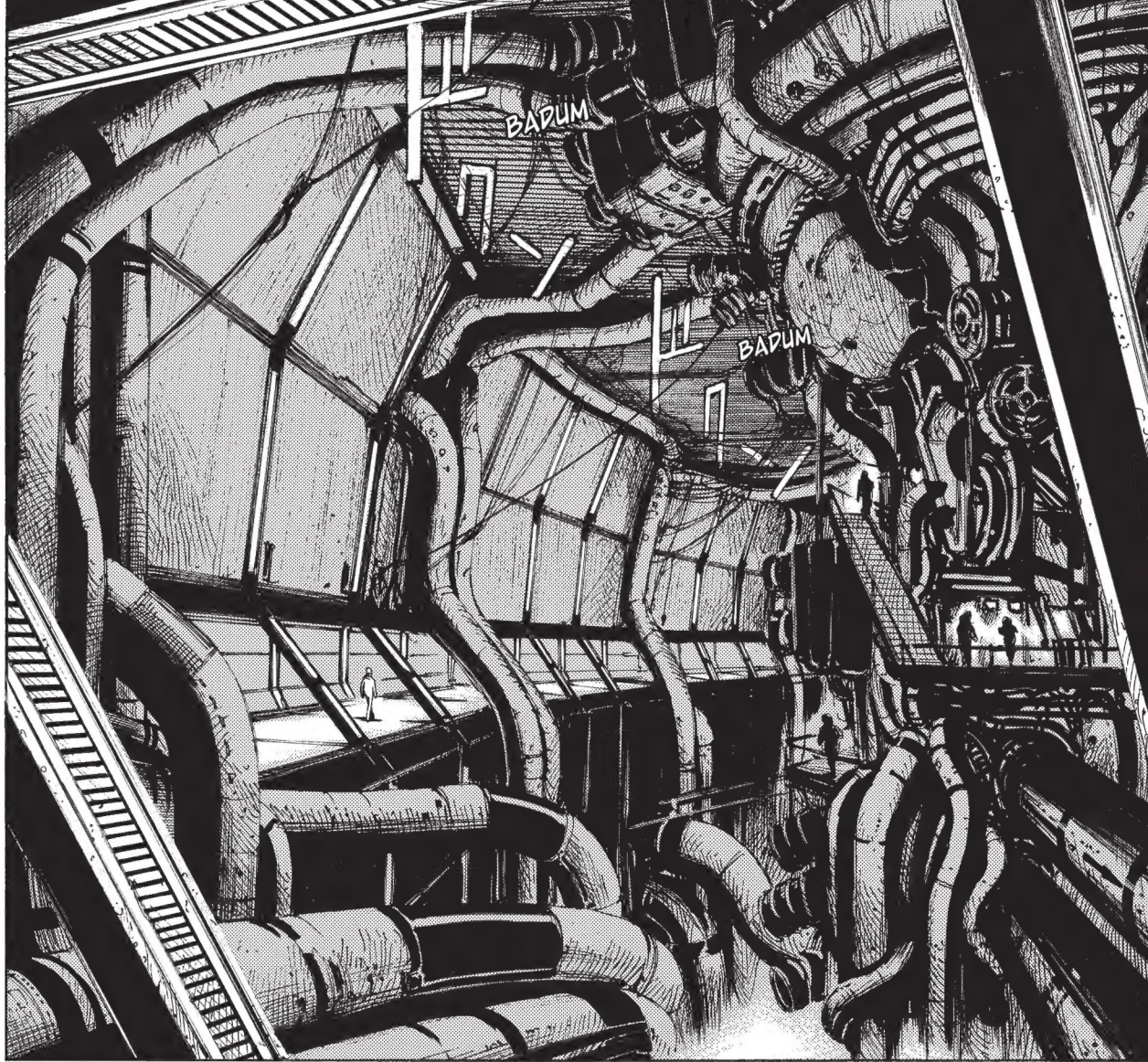
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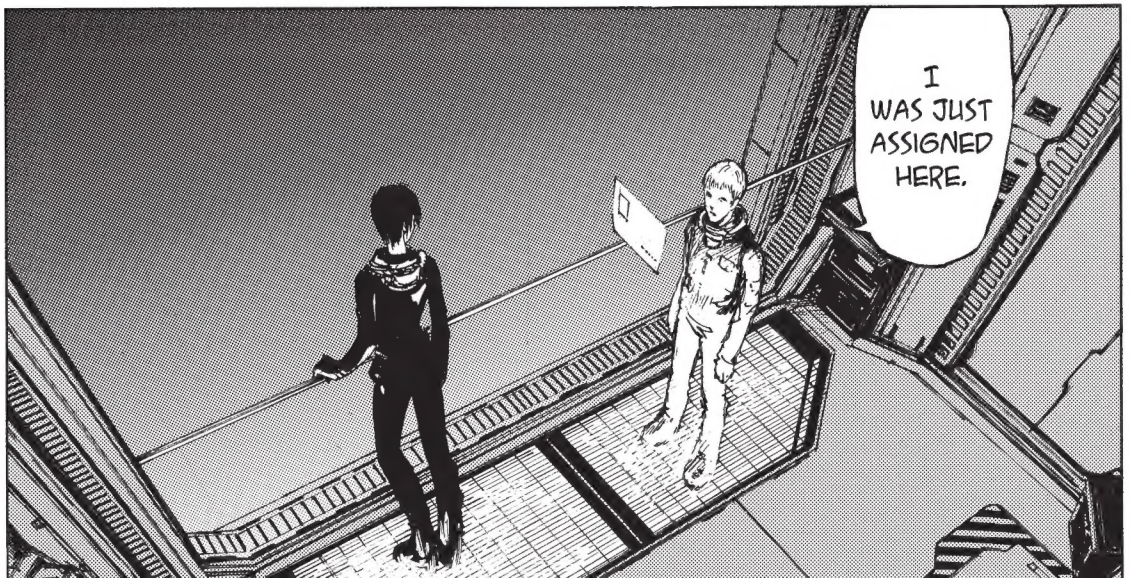
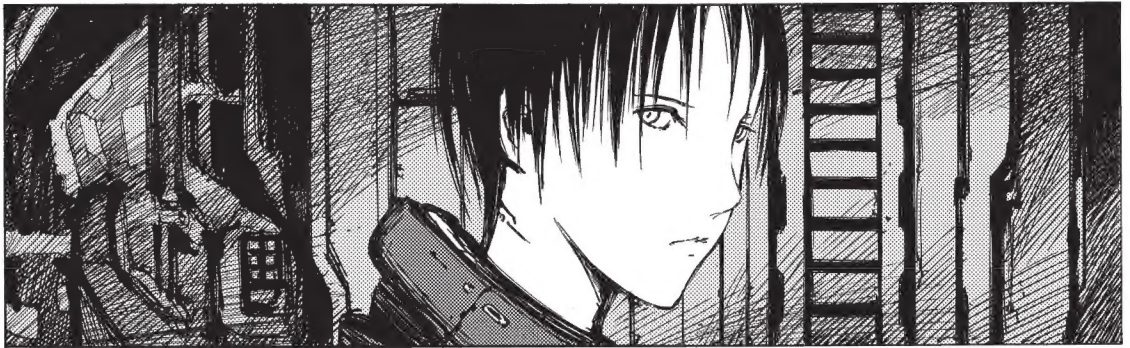
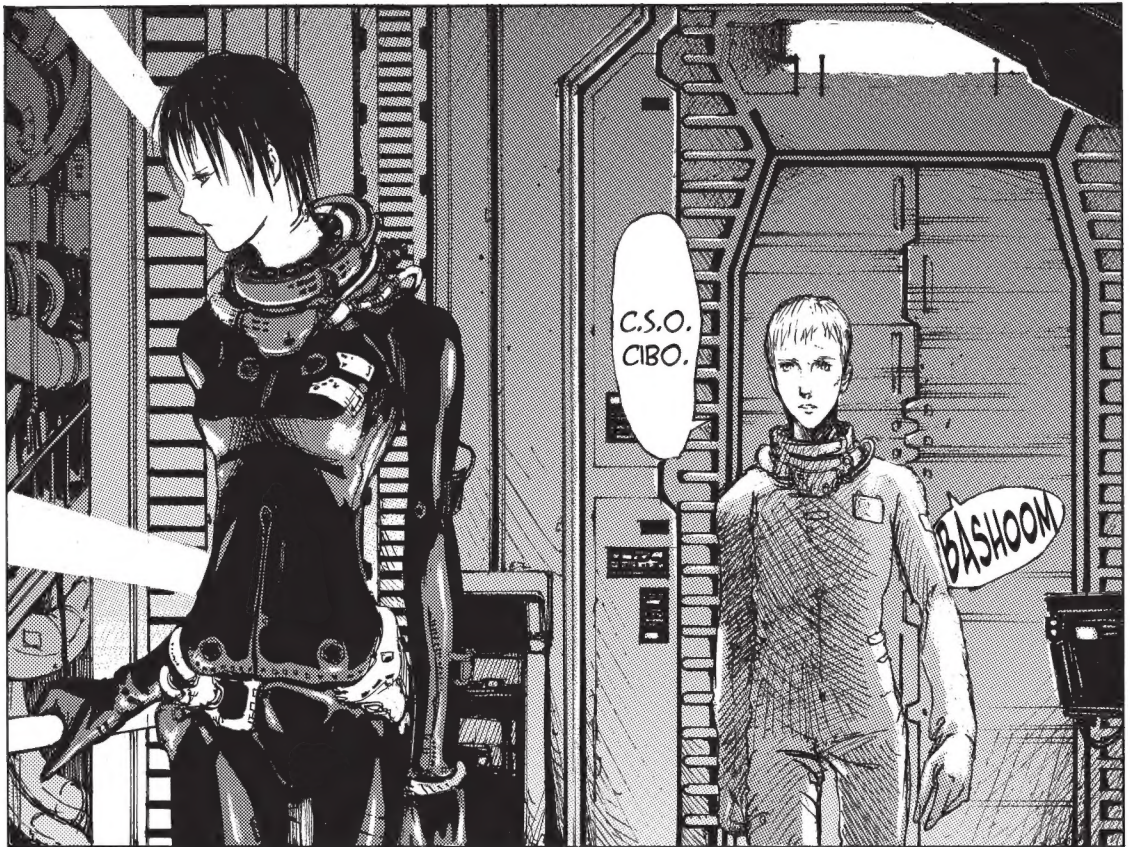
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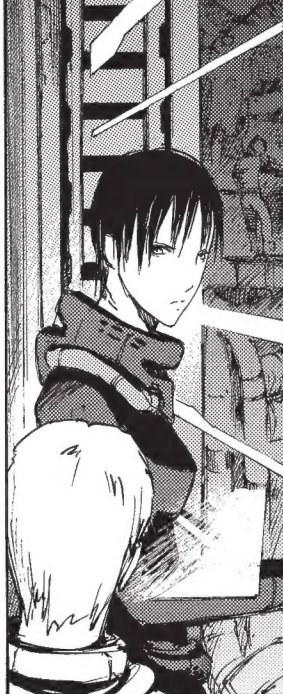




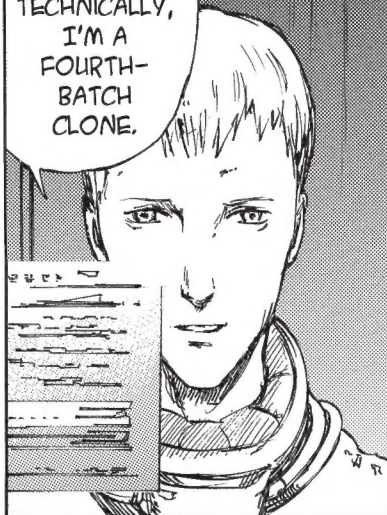
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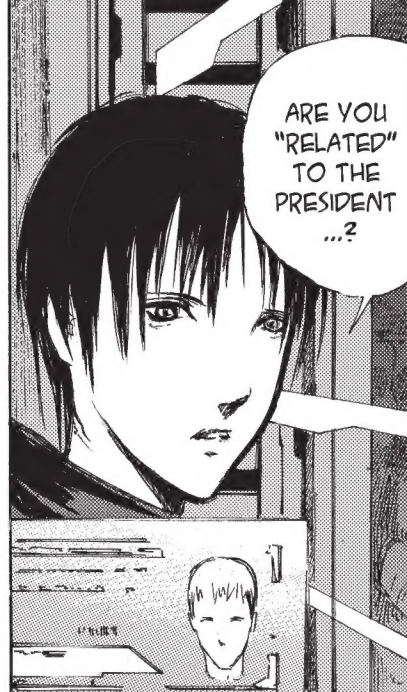




YOU
COULD
SAY THAT.
TECHNICALLY,
I'M A
FOURTH-
BATCH
CLONE.

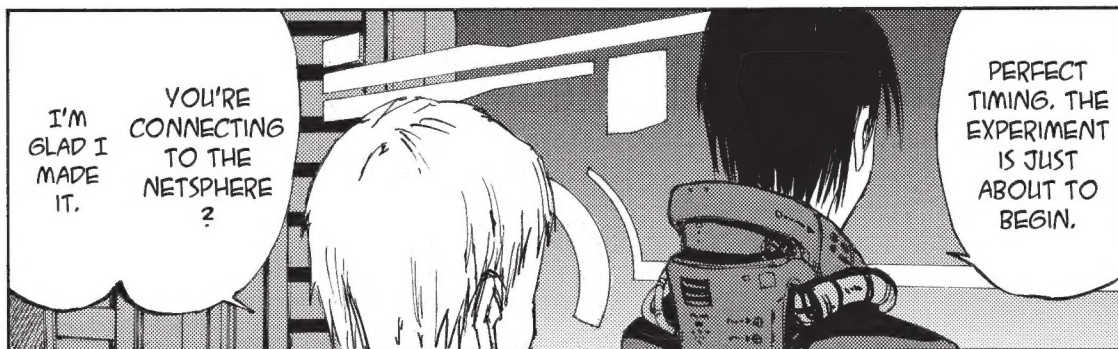


ARE YOU
"RELATED"
TO THE
PRESIDENT
...?



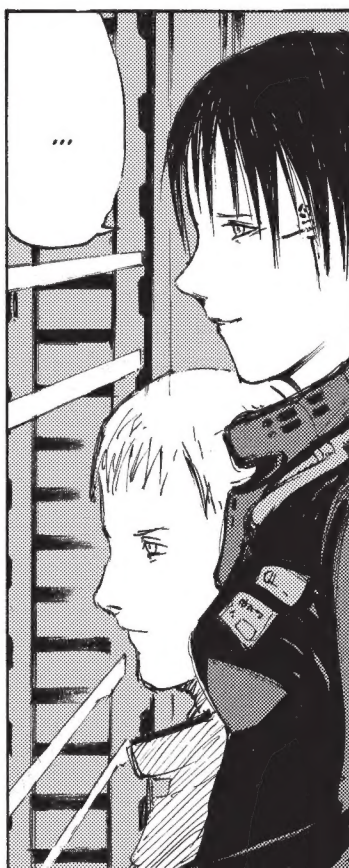
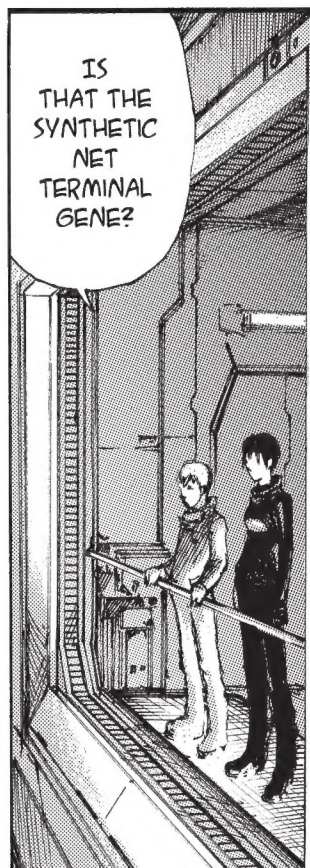
I'M
GLAD I
MADE
IT.

YOU'RE
CONNECTING
TO THE
NETSPHERE
?

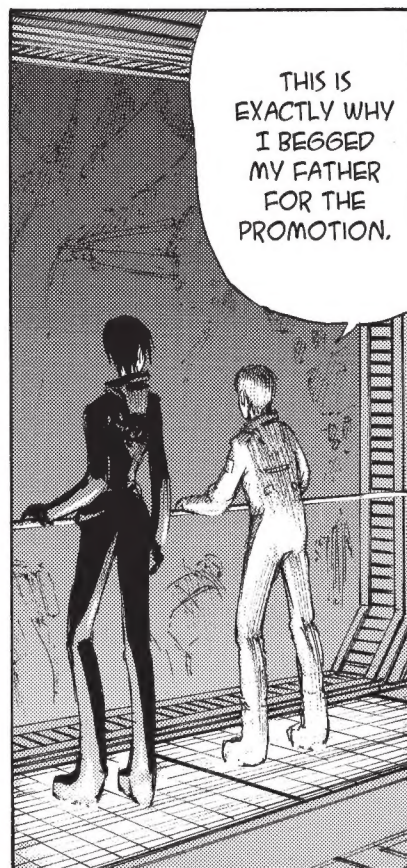


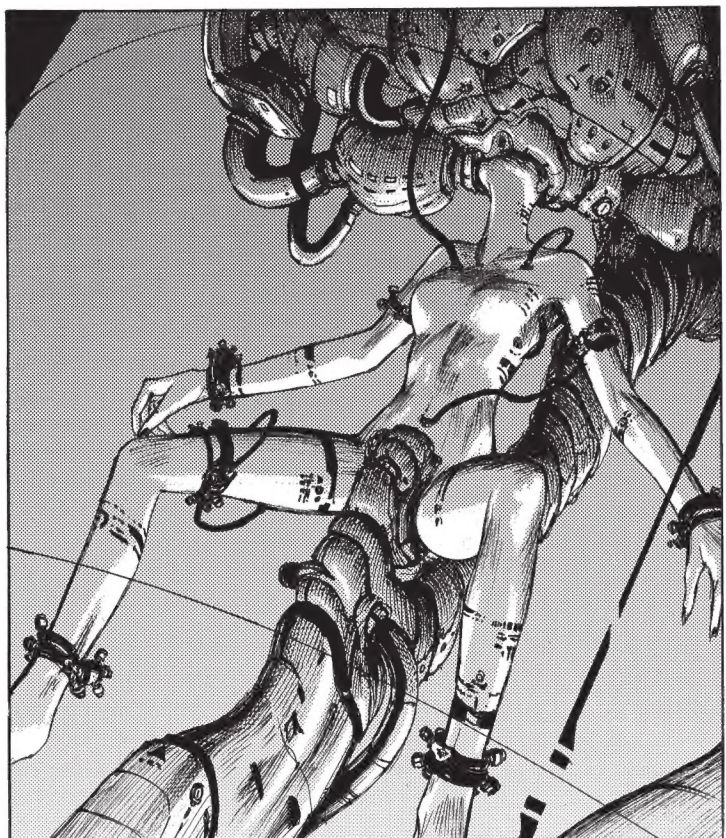
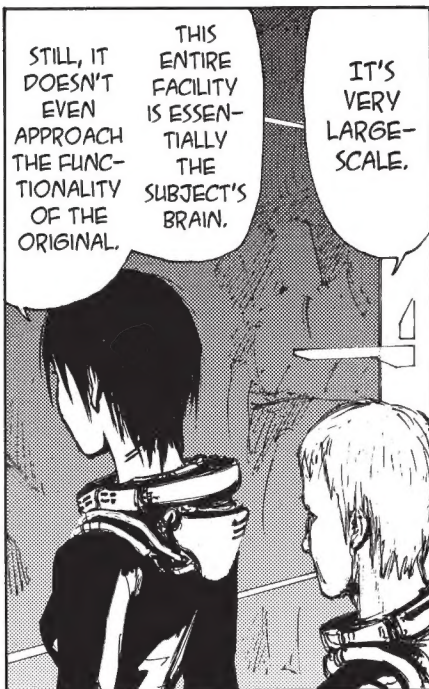
PERFECT
TIMING. THE
EXPERIMENT
IS JUST
ABOUT TO
BEGIN.

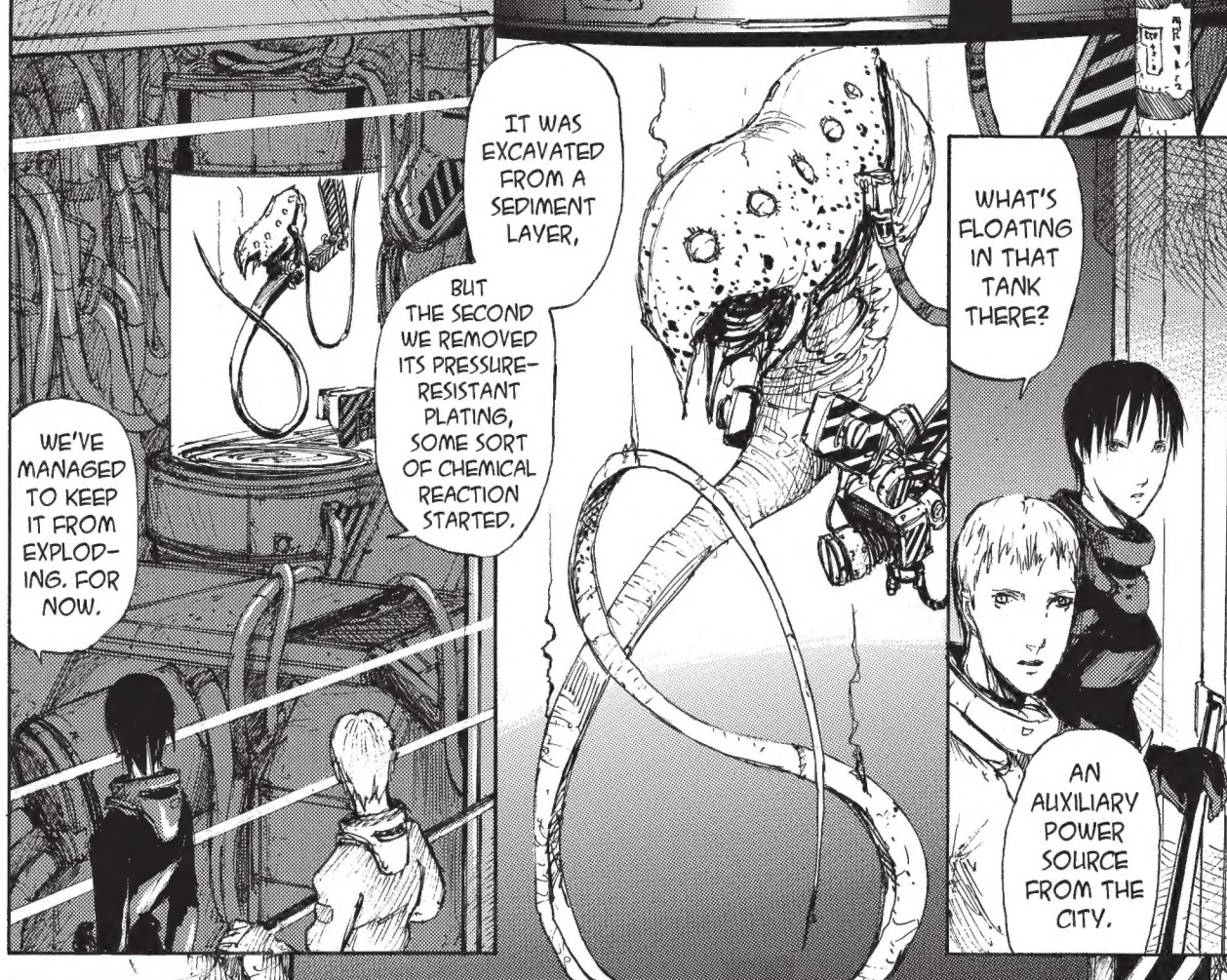
IS
THAT THE
SYNTHETIC
NET
TERMINAL
GENE?



THIS IS
EXACTLY WHY
I BEGGED
MY FATHER
FOR THE
PROMOTION.







WE'VE
MANAGED
TO KEEP
IT FROM
EXPLOD-
ING. FOR
NOW.

BUT
THE SECOND
WE REMOVED
ITS PRESSURE-
RESISTANT
PLATING,
SOME SORT
OF CHEMICAL
REACTION
STARTED.

IT WAS
EXCAVATED
FROM A
SEDIMENT
LAYER,

WHAT'S
FLOATING
IN THAT
TANK
THERE?

AN
AUXILIARY
POWER
SOURCE
FROM THE
CITY.

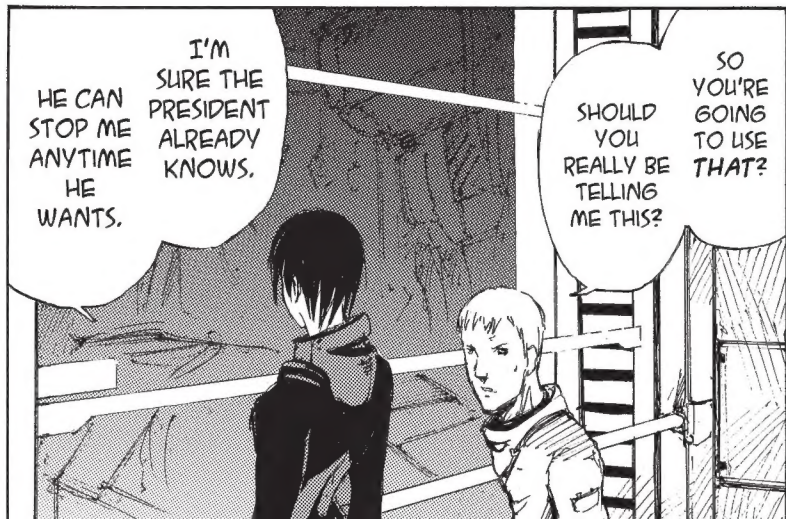


I
WAS ONLY
ORDERED TO
STOP BY THE
COMMITTEE.

NOT
EXACTLY.

EXPLODING
?
NO...

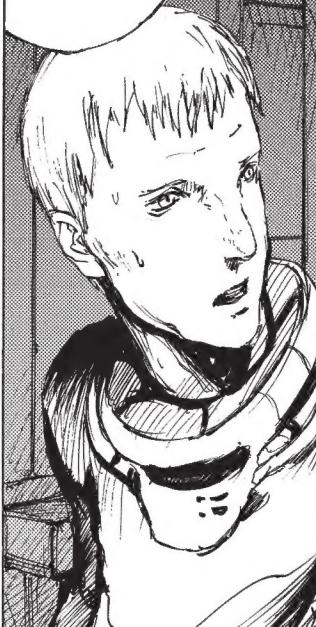
HAVEN'T
YOU GIVEN
UP ON
PUNCTURING
THE MEGA-
STRUCTURE?

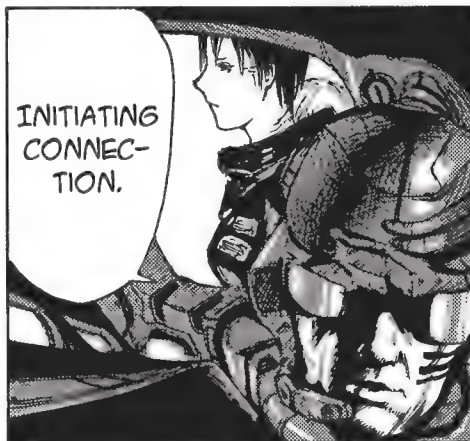
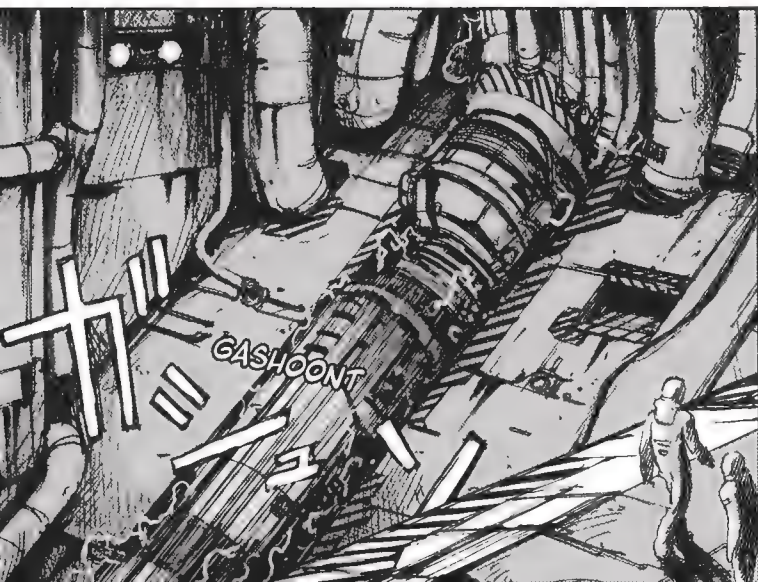
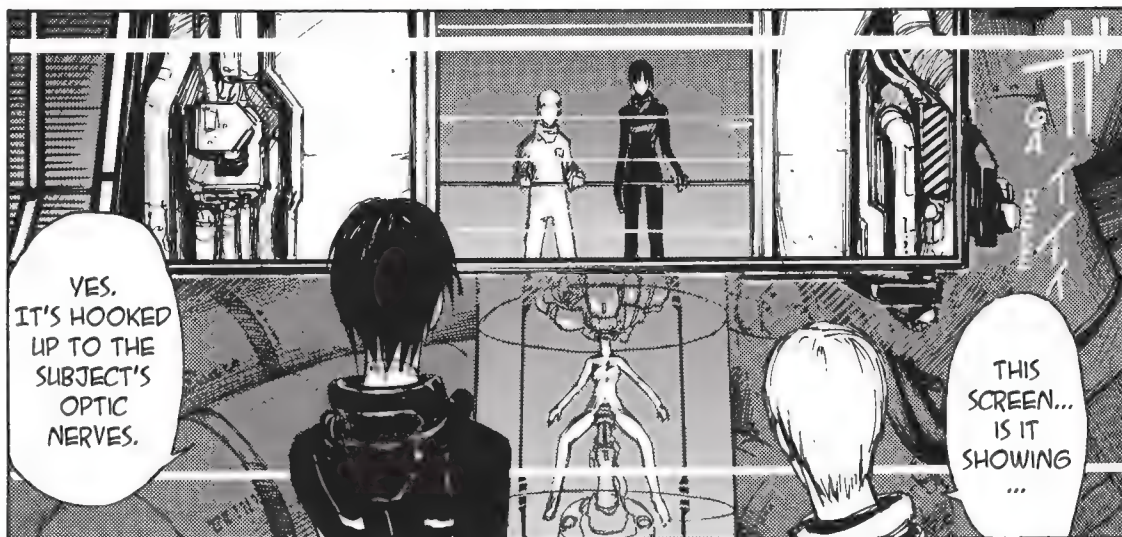
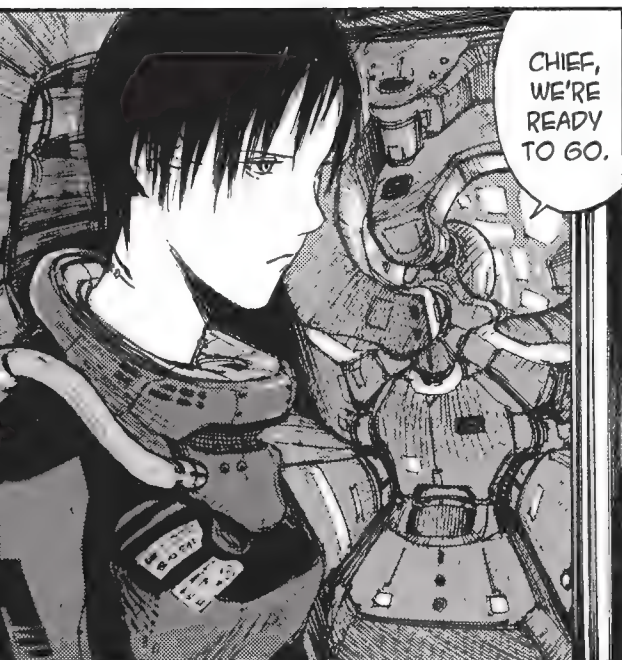


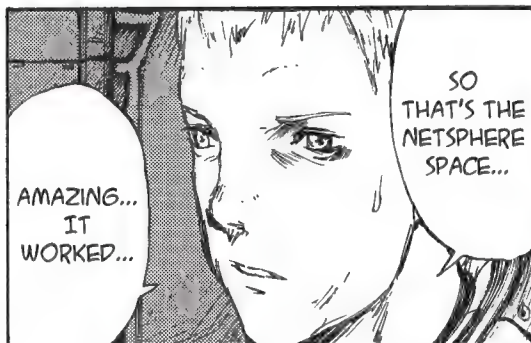
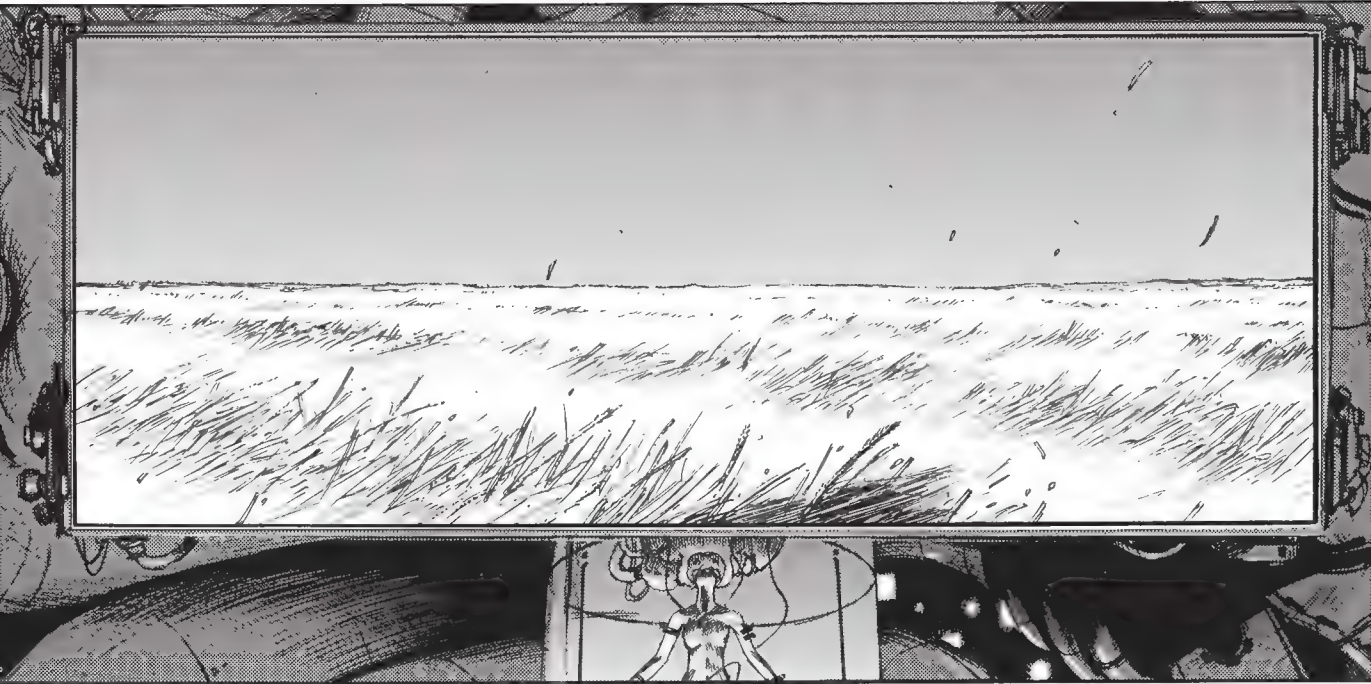
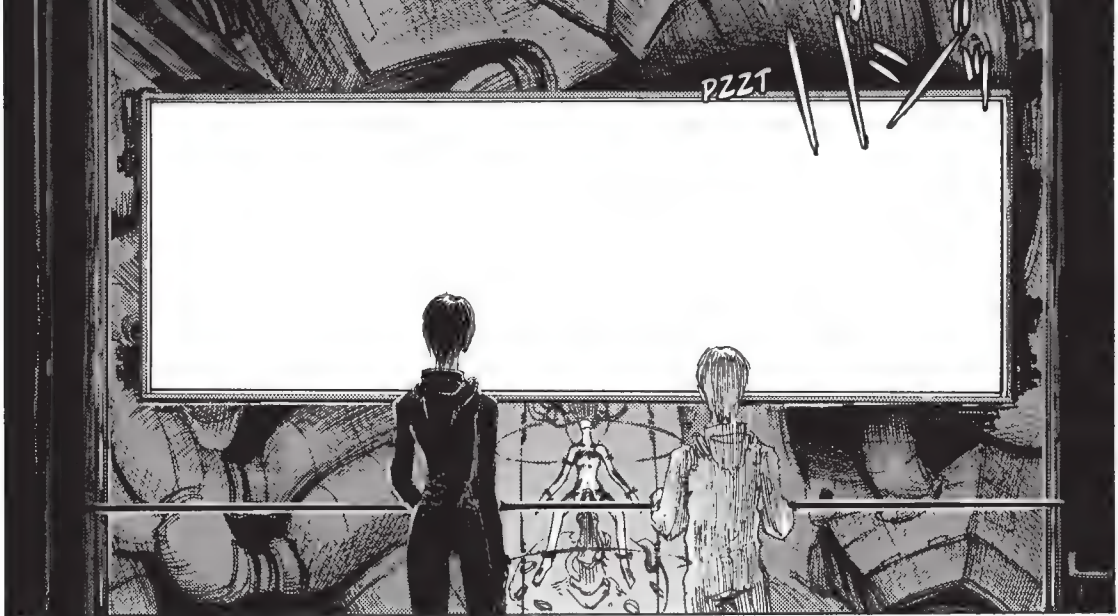
I'M
SURE THE
PRESIDENT
ALREADY
KNOWS.
HE CAN
STOP ME
ANYTIME
HE
WANTS.

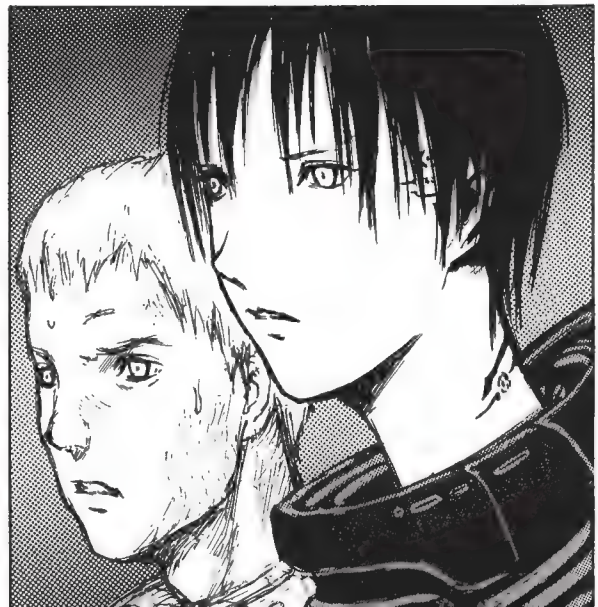
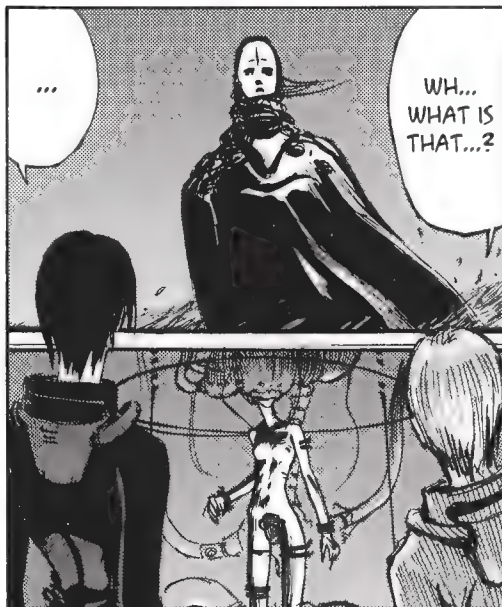
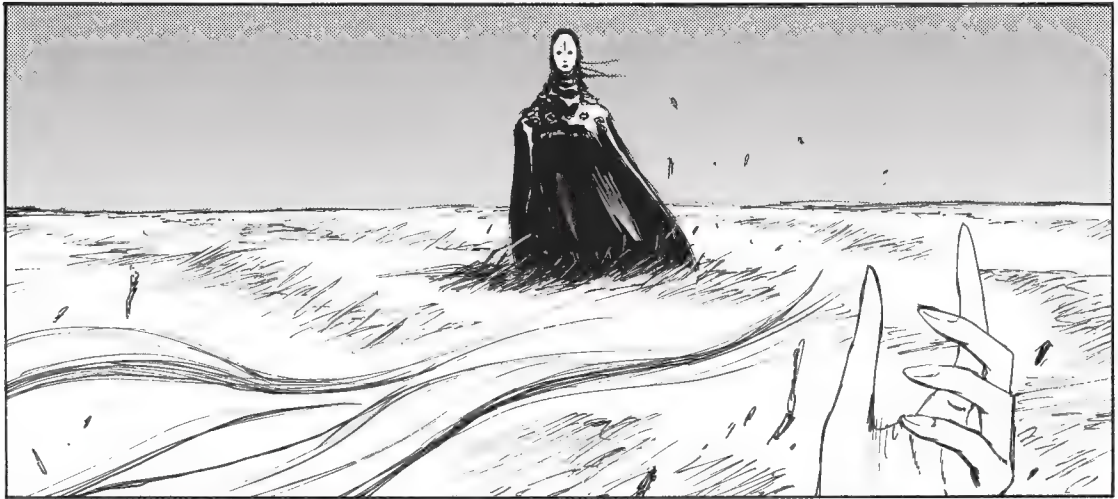
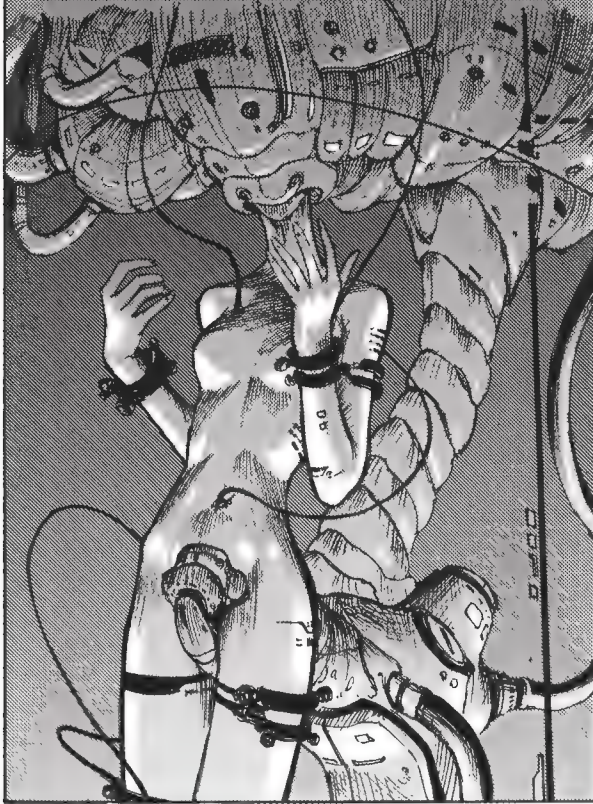
SHOULD
YOU
REALLY BE
TELLING
ME THIS?

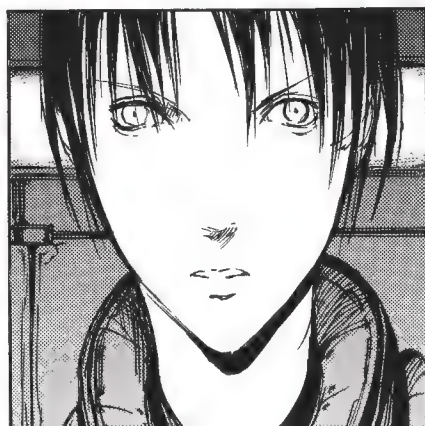
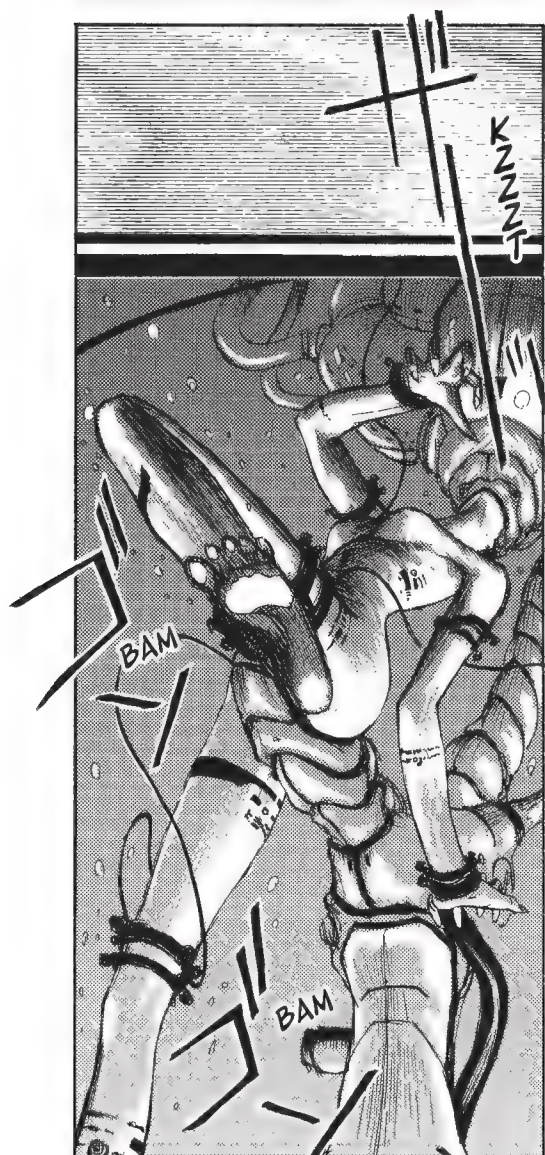
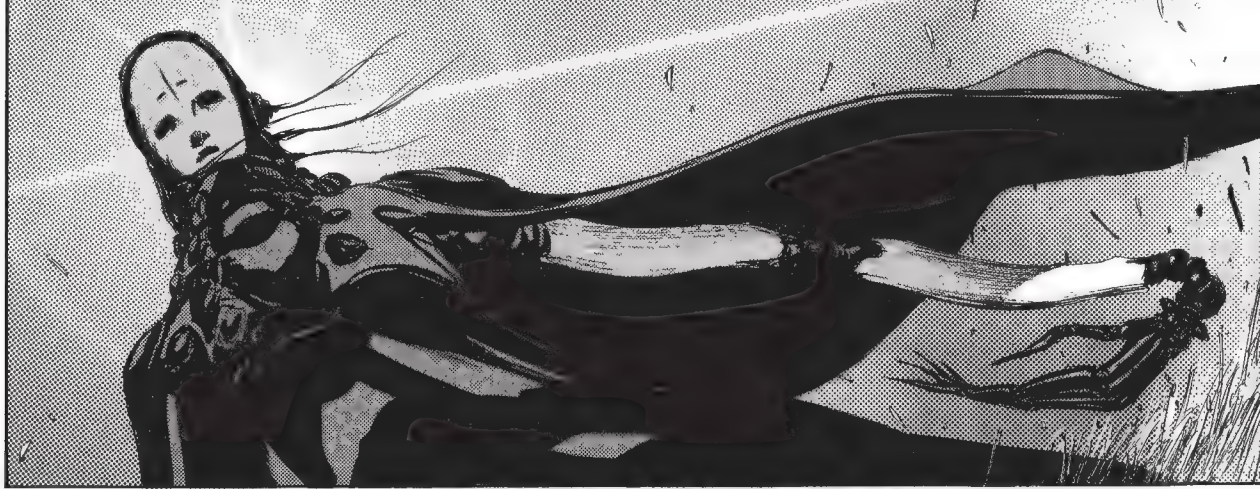
SO
YOU'RE
GOING
TO USE
THAT?

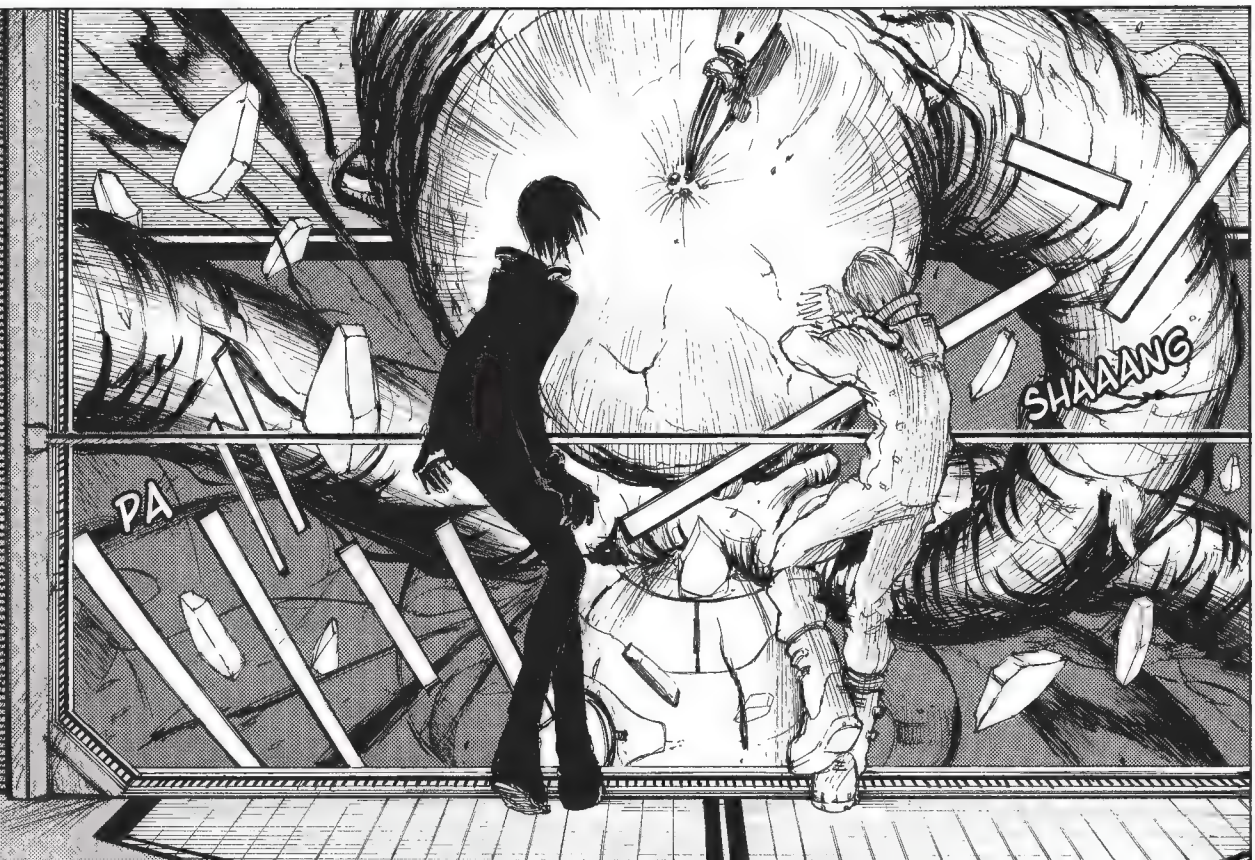
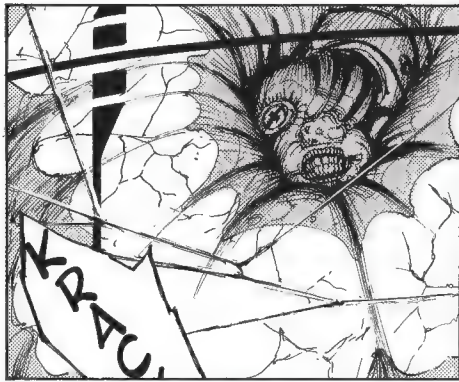
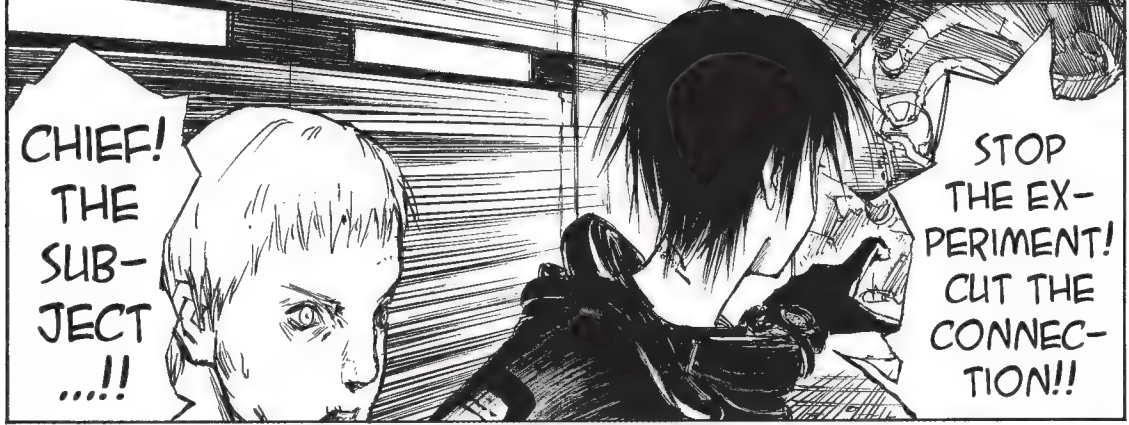


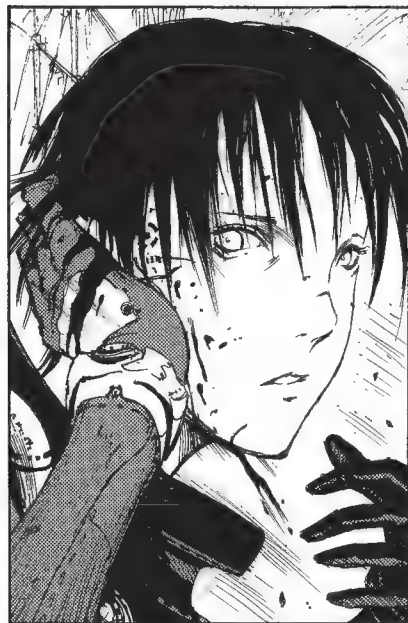


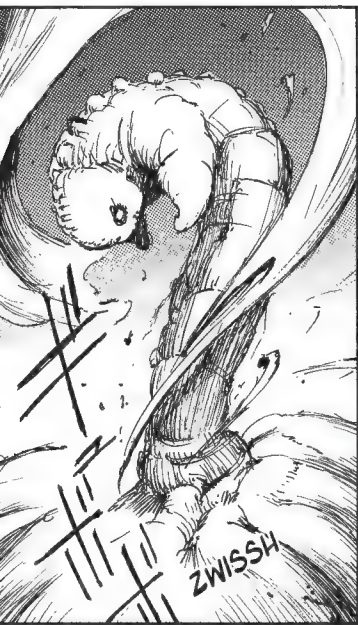


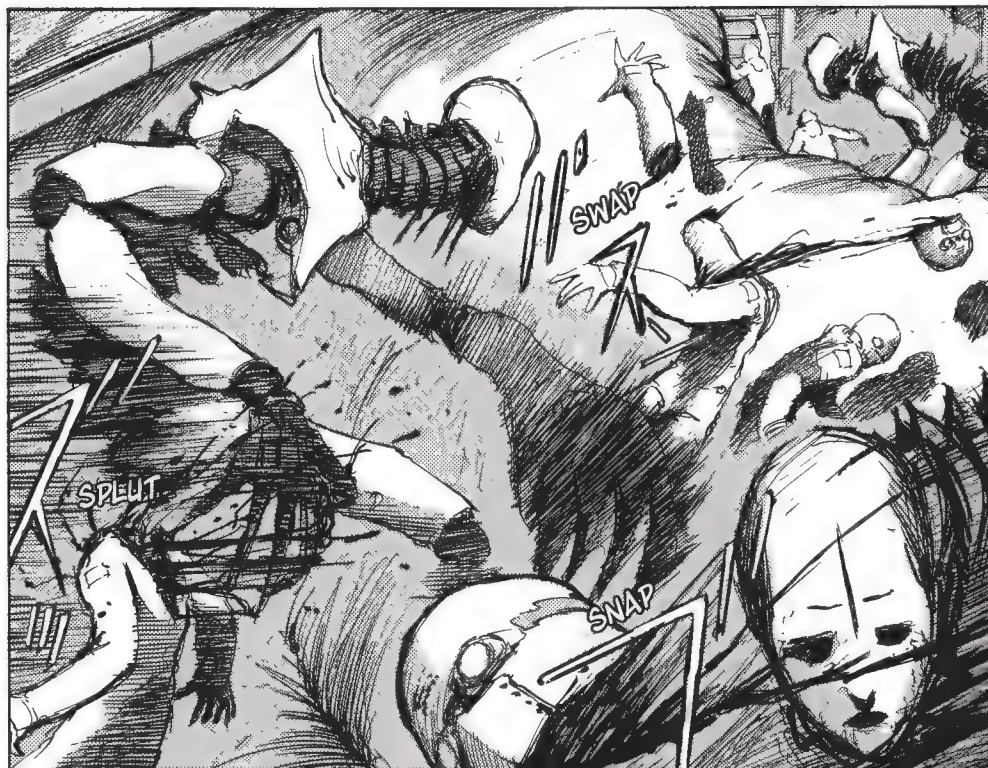
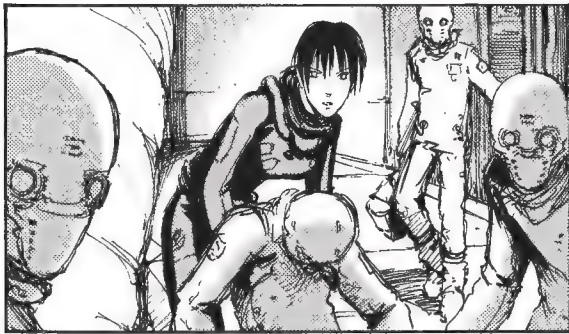
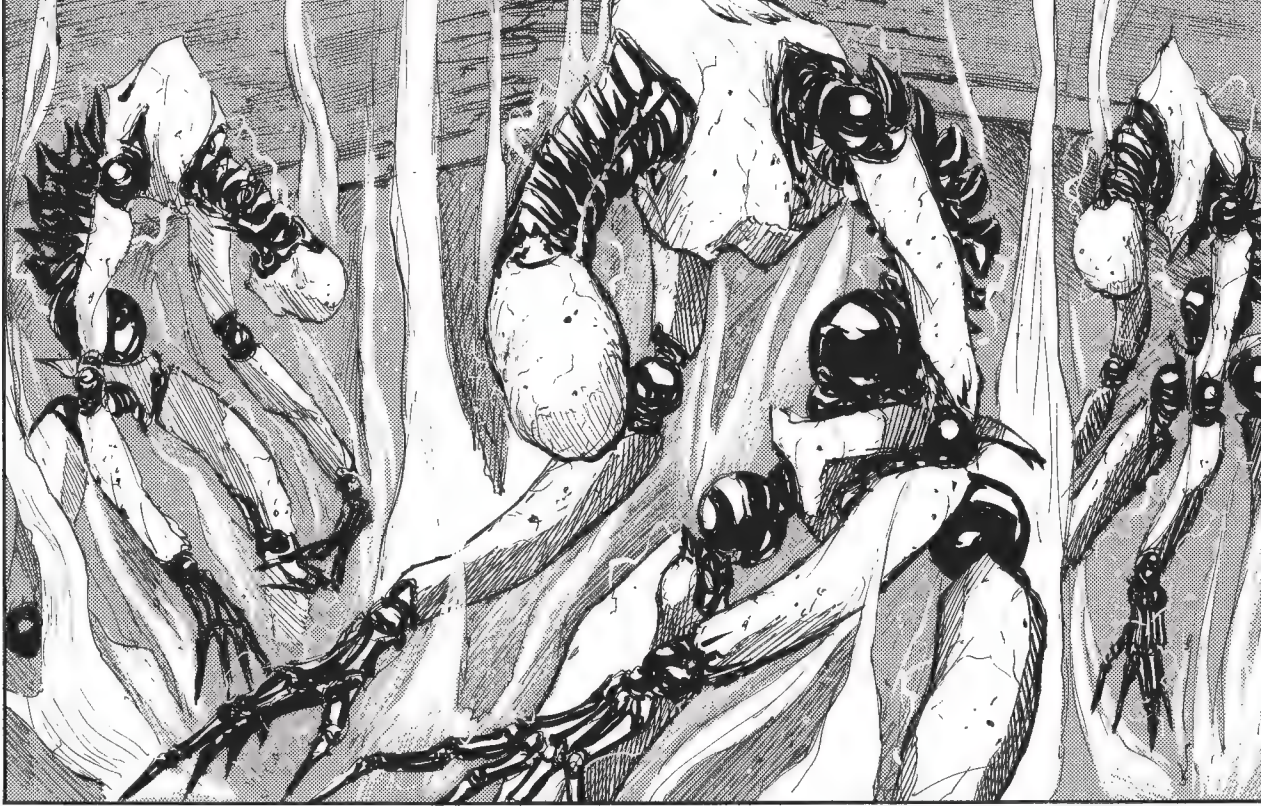


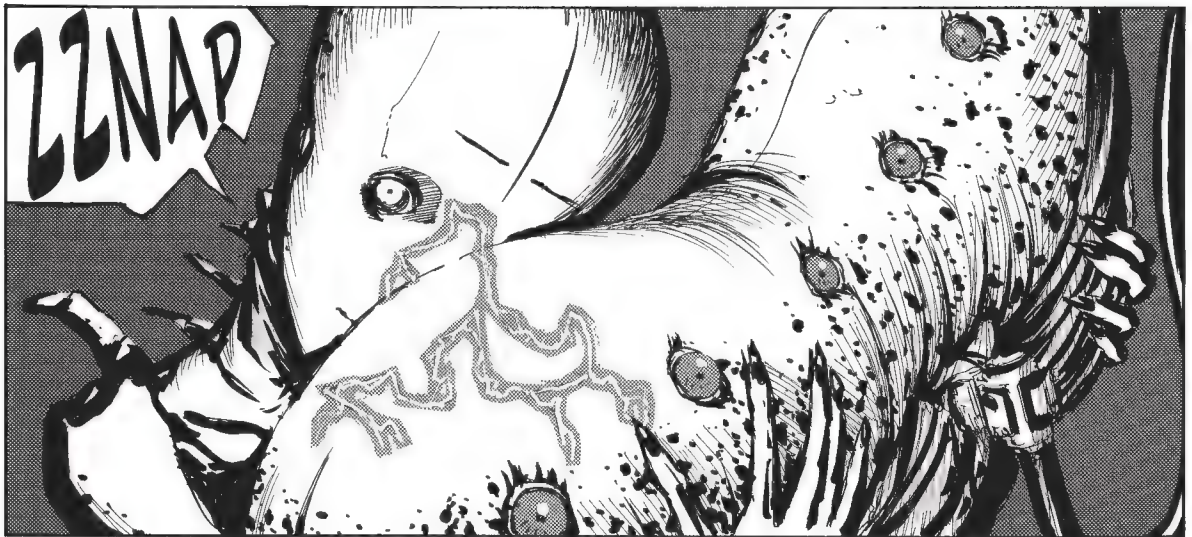
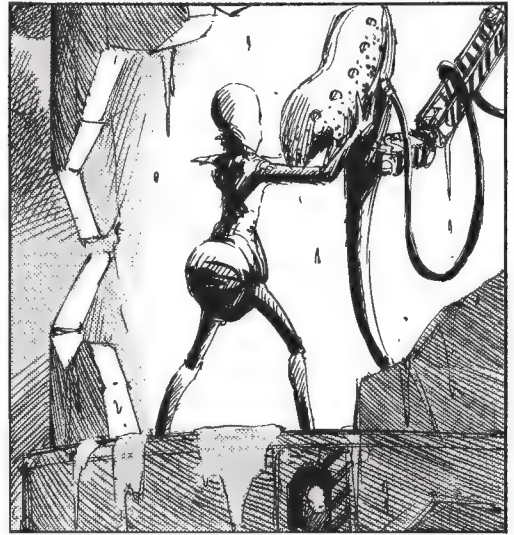
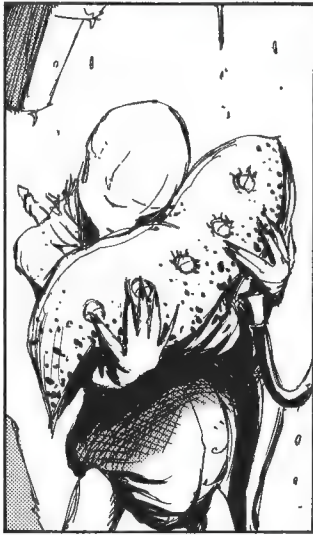
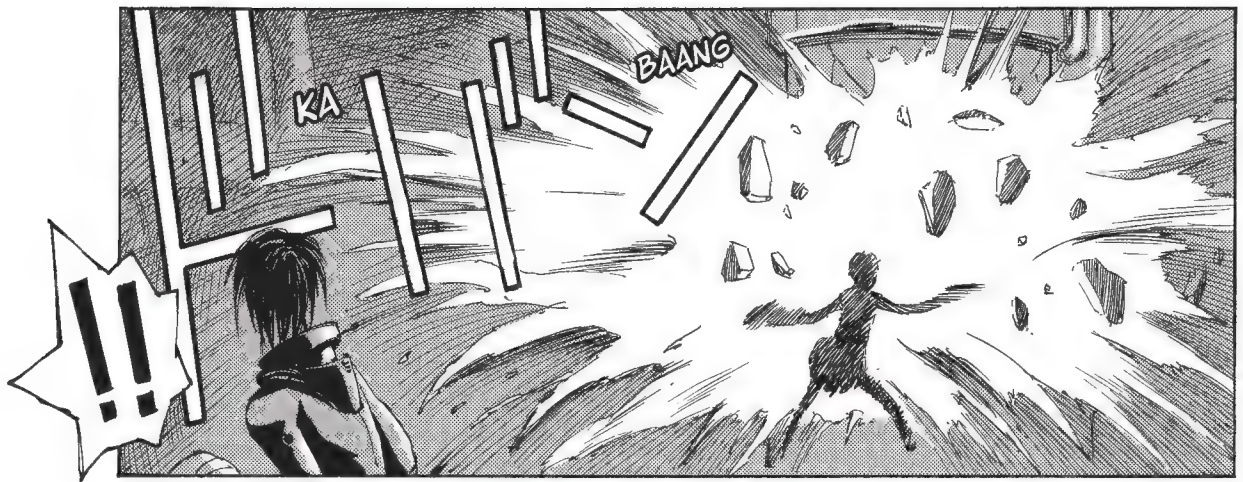


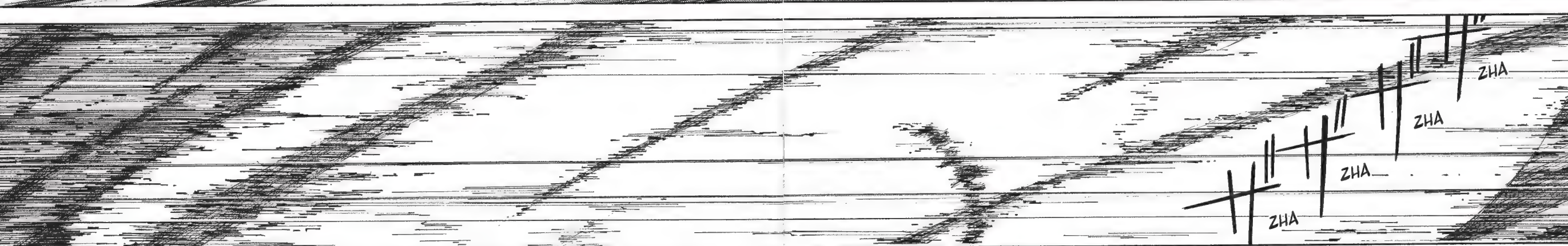
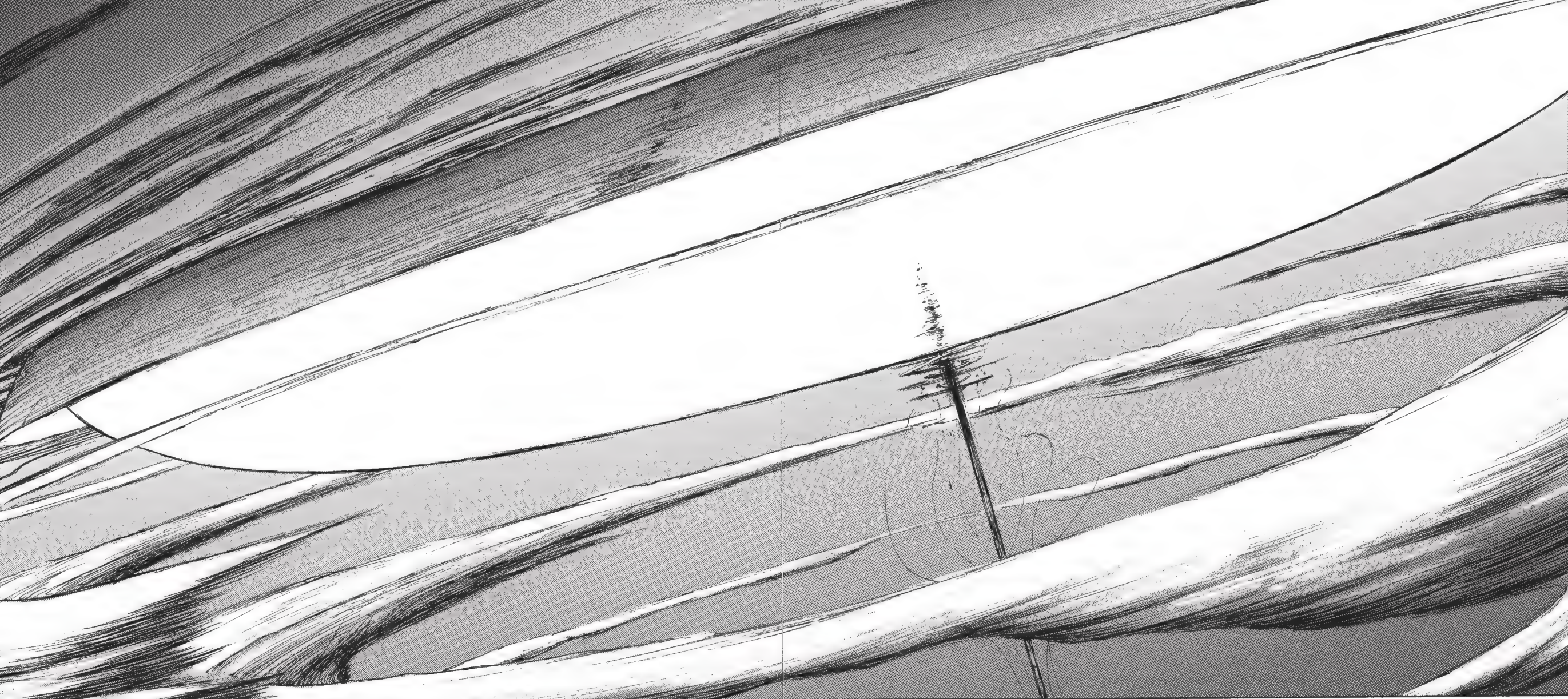






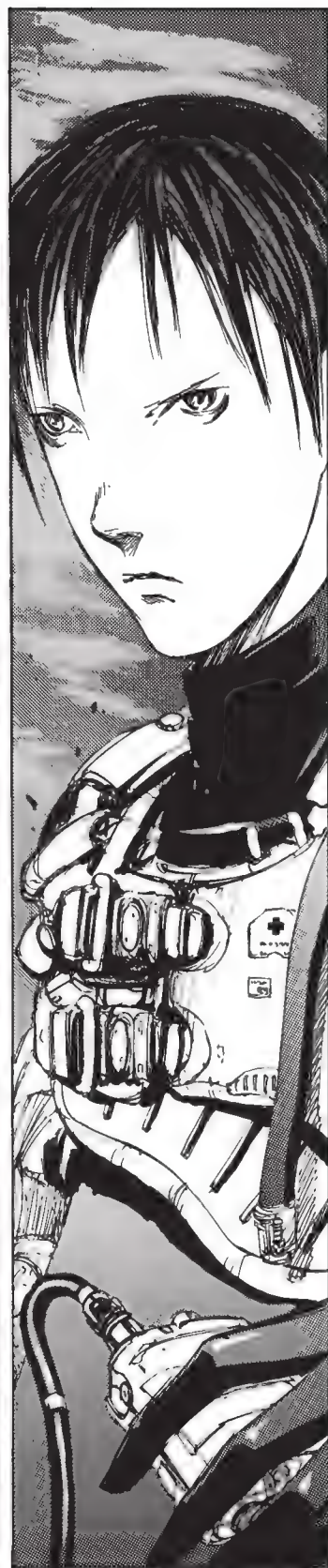
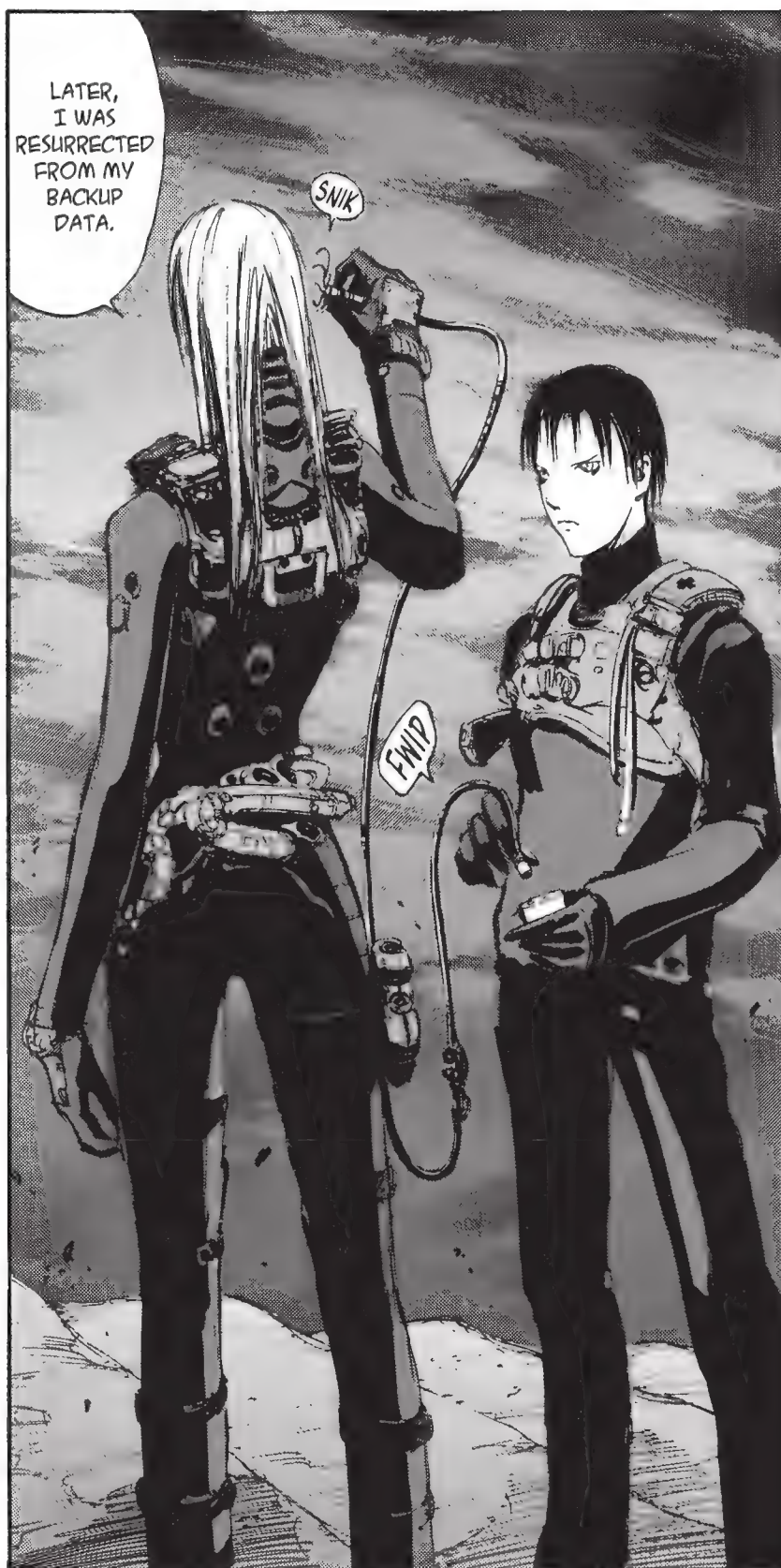


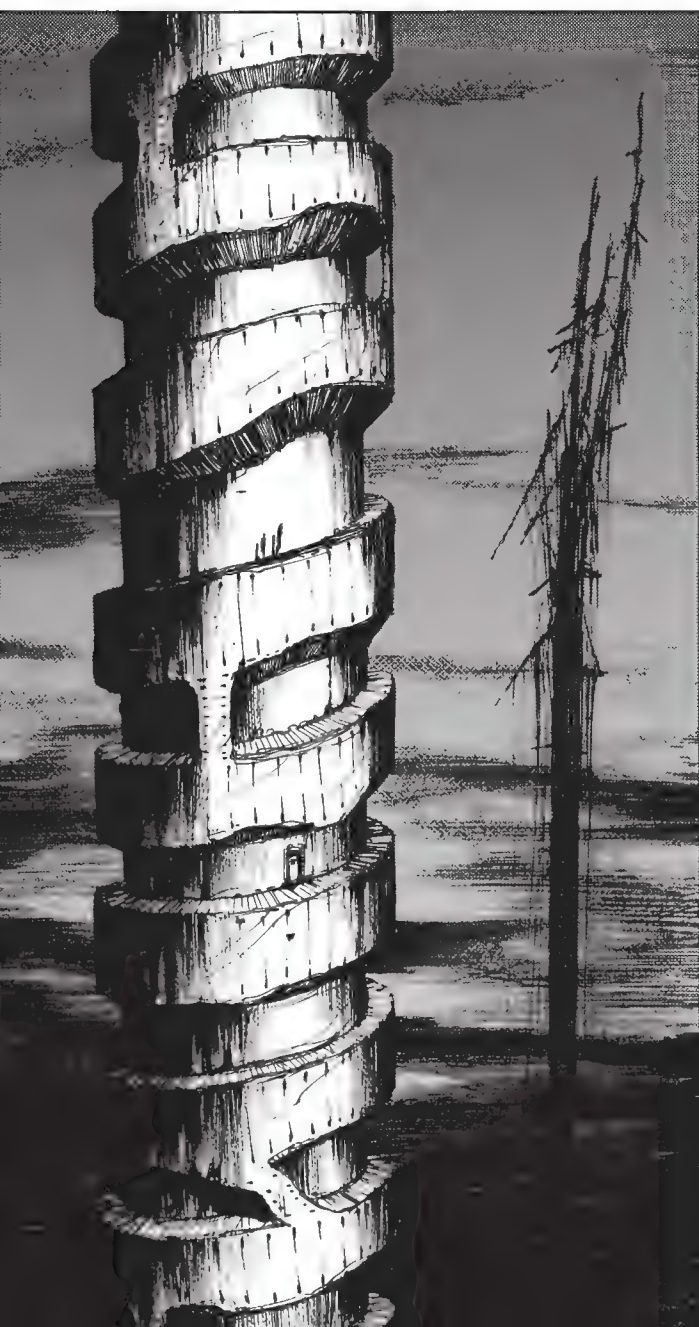


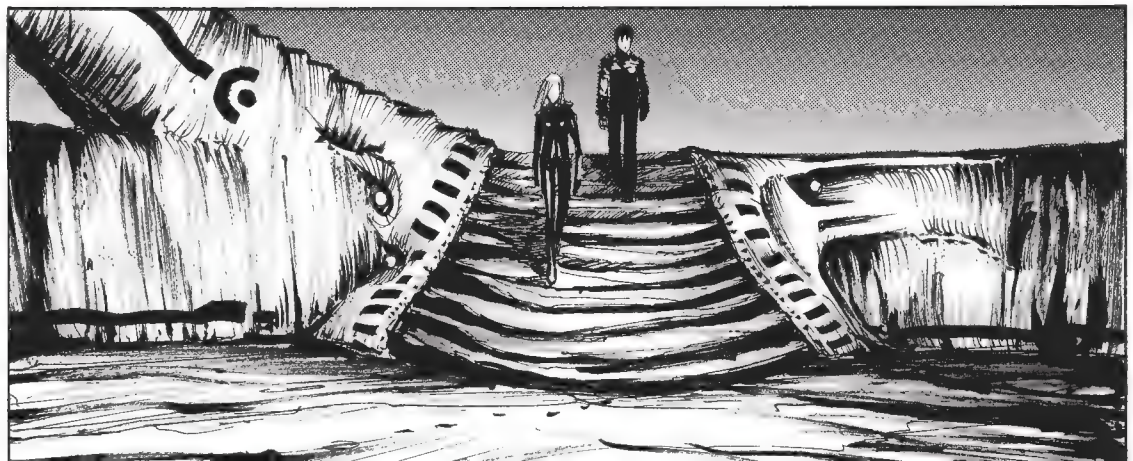
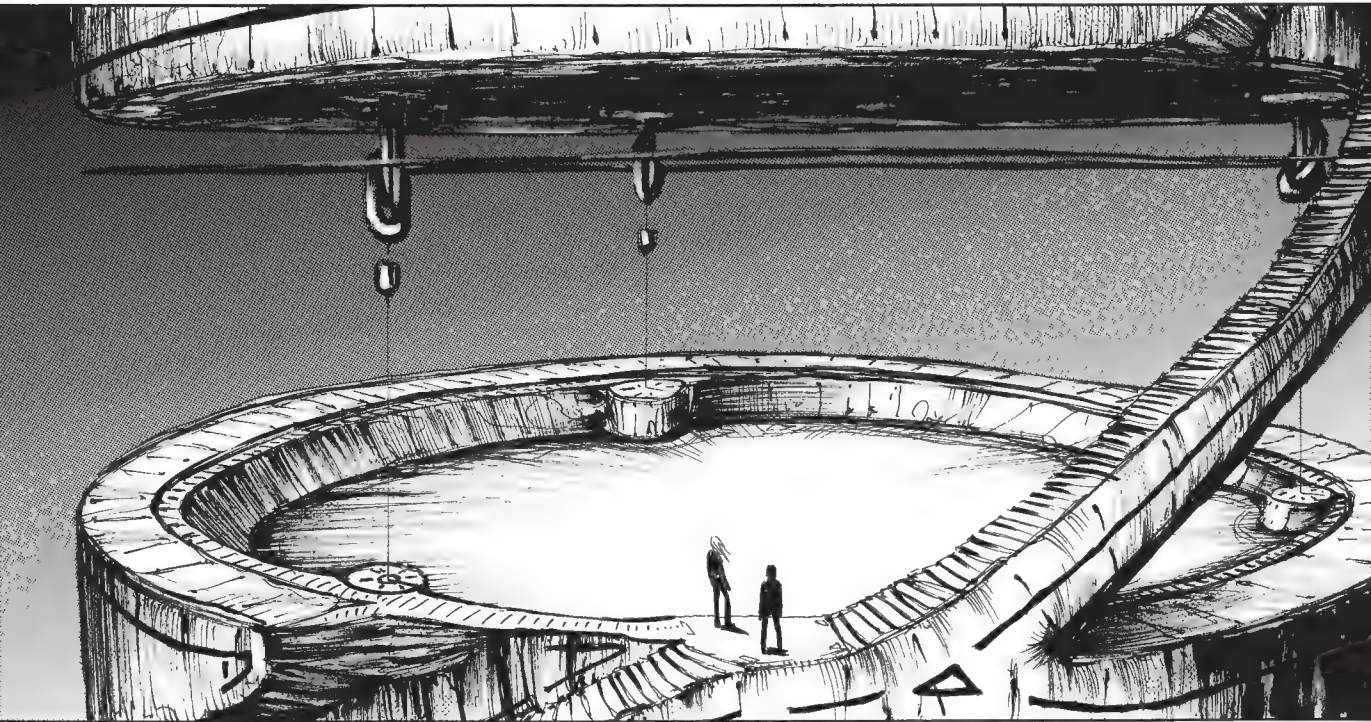
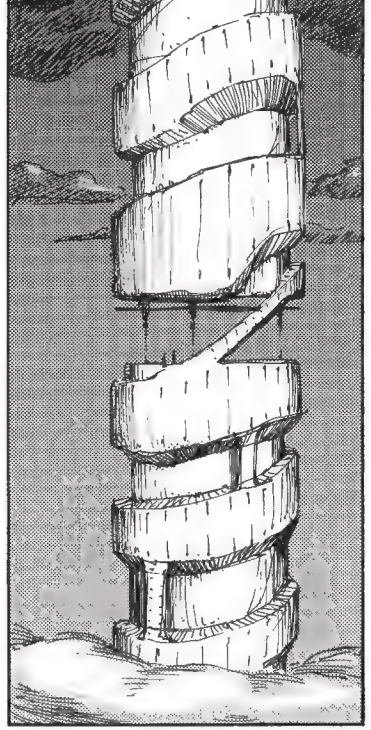
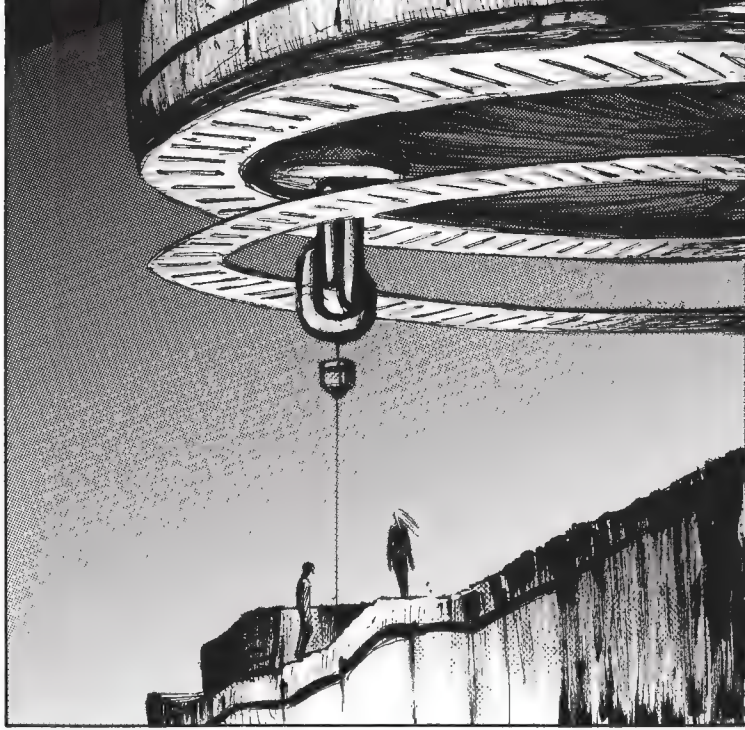


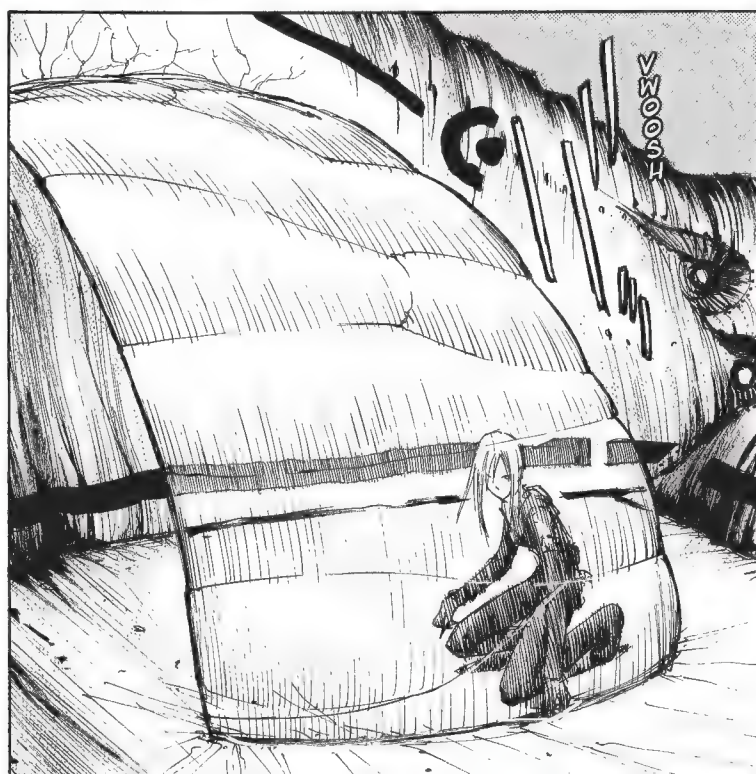
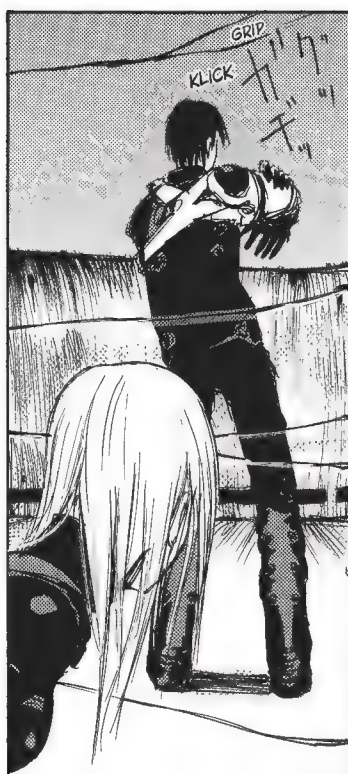
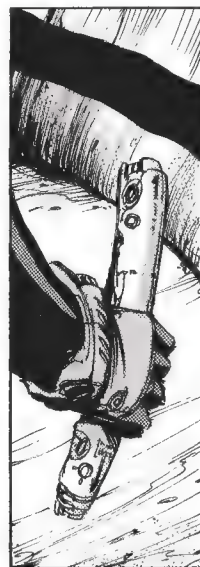
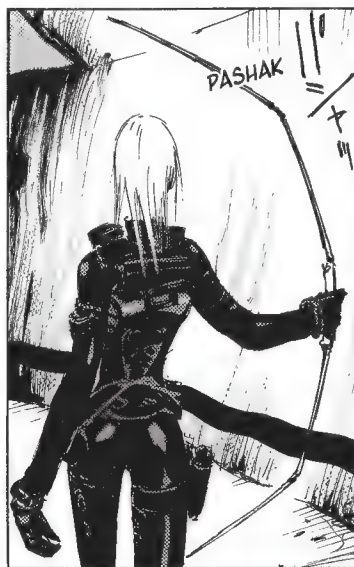
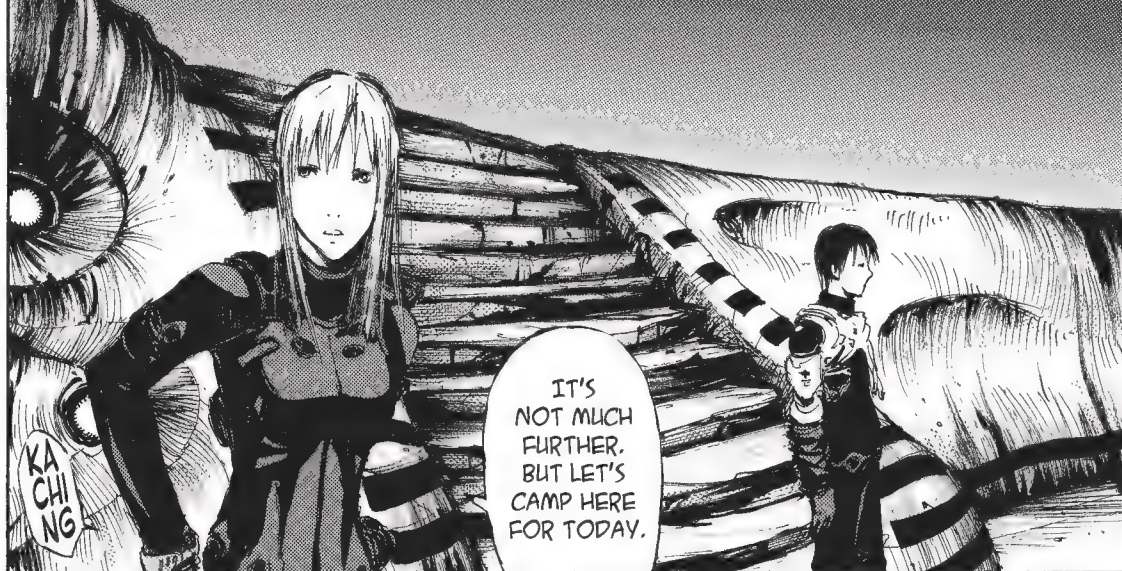
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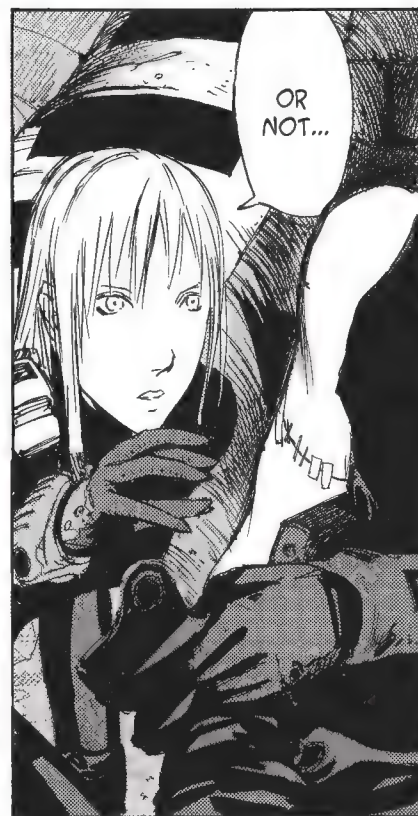
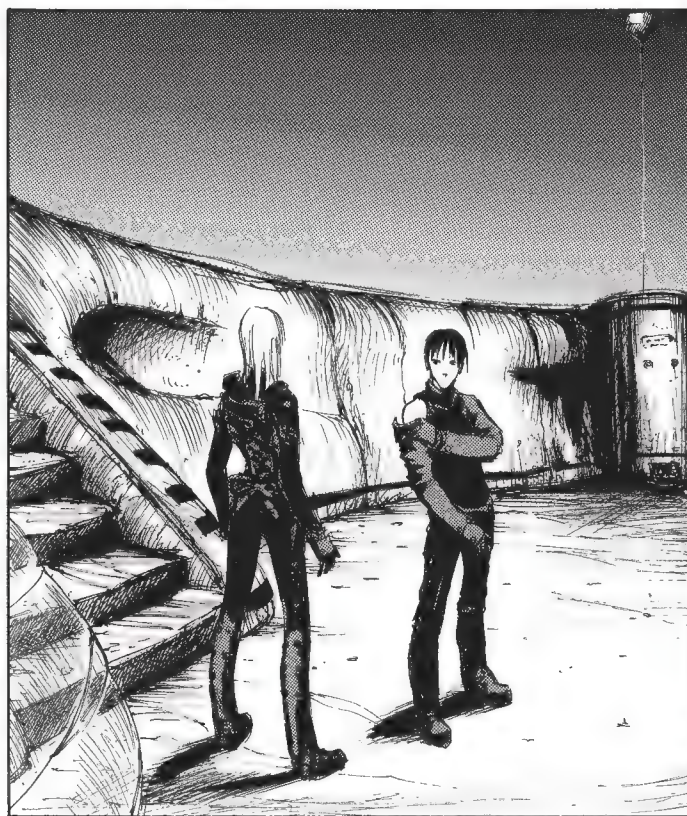
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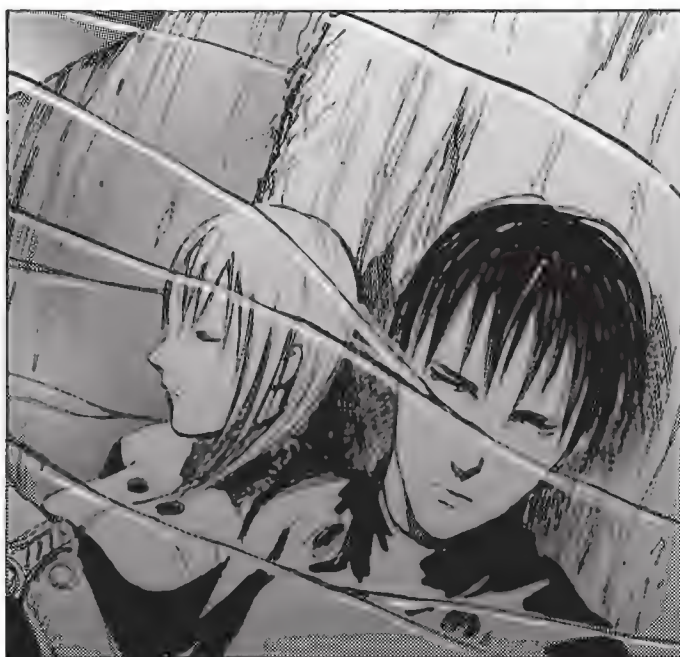
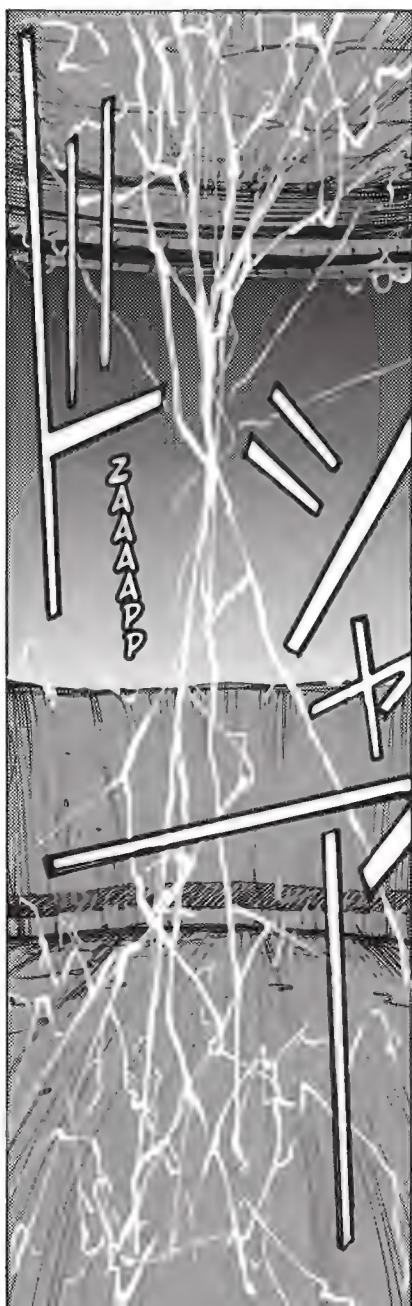
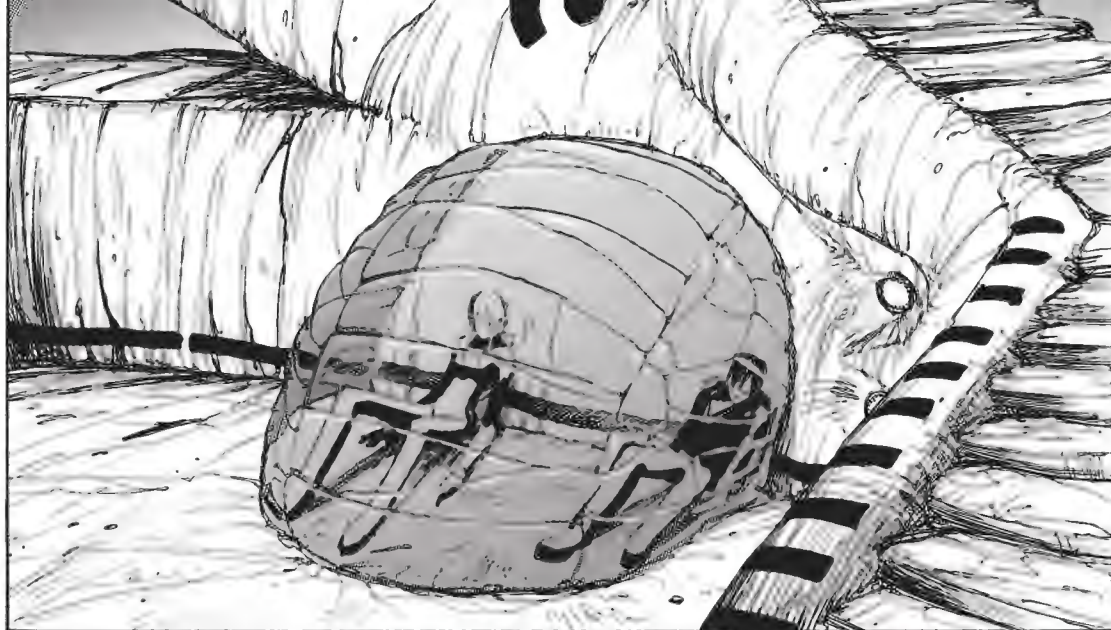


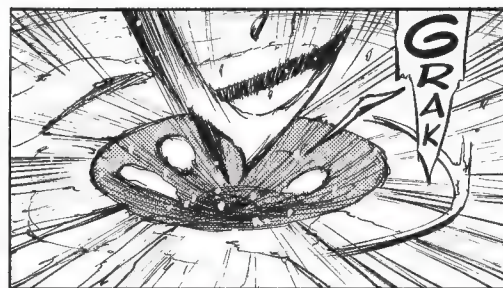
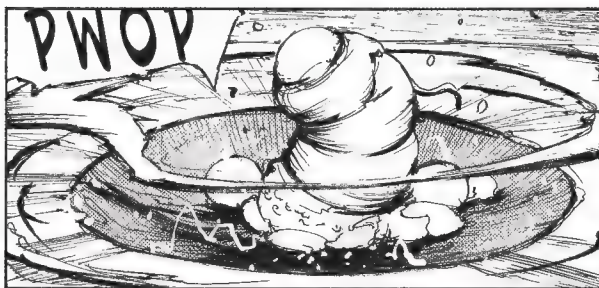


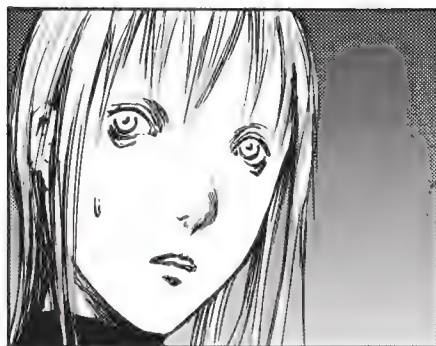
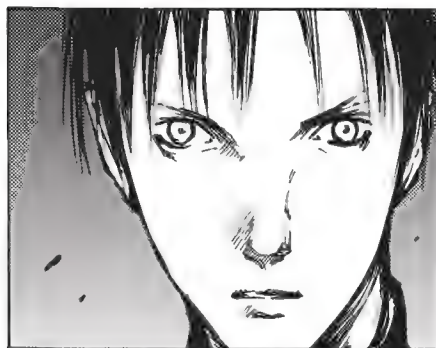
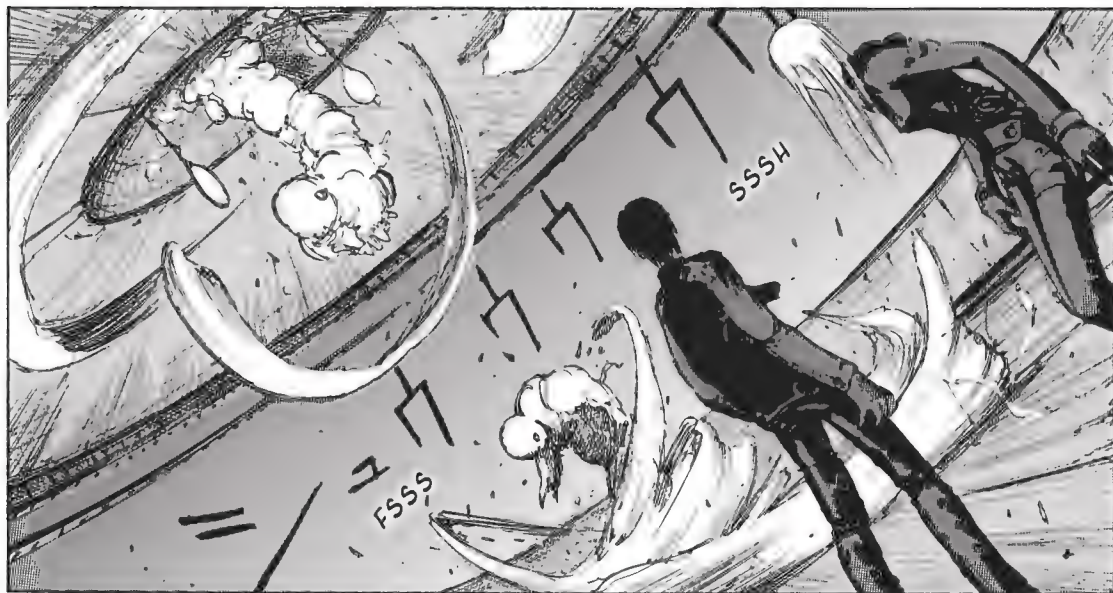
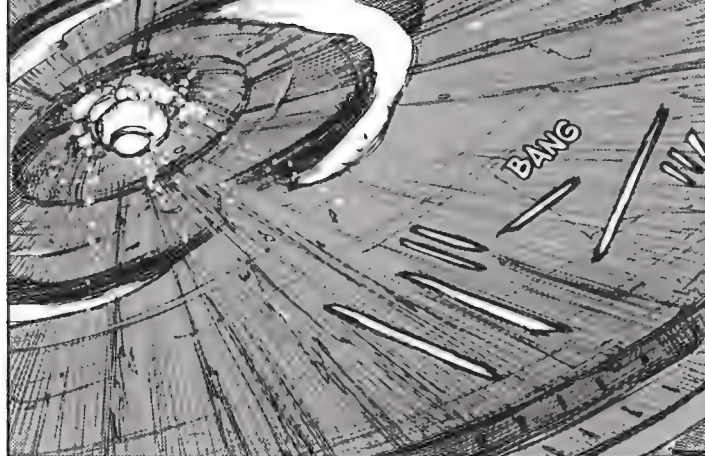




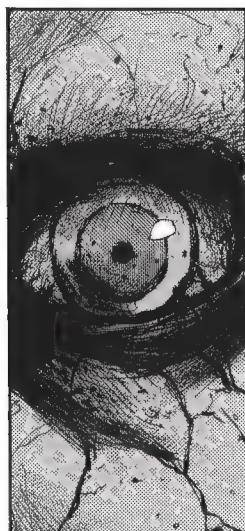
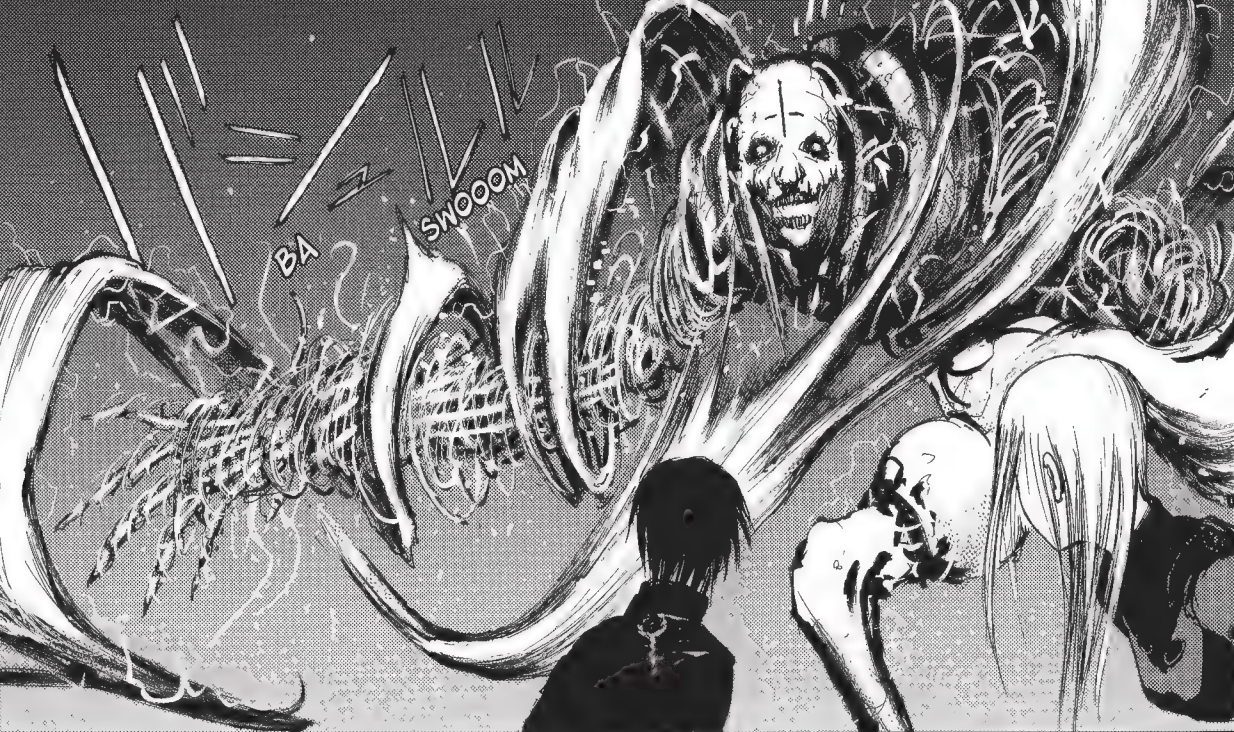




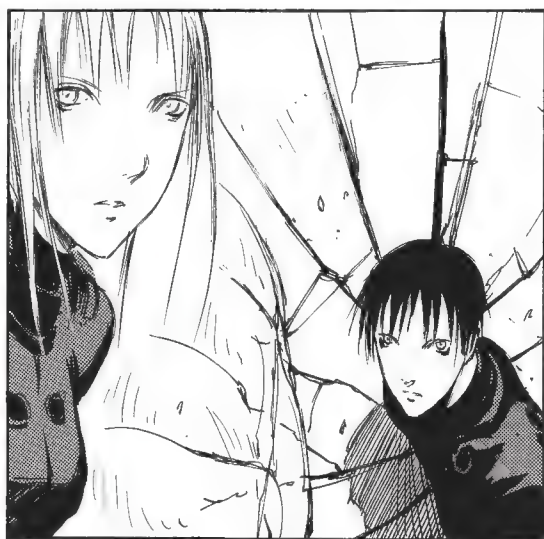
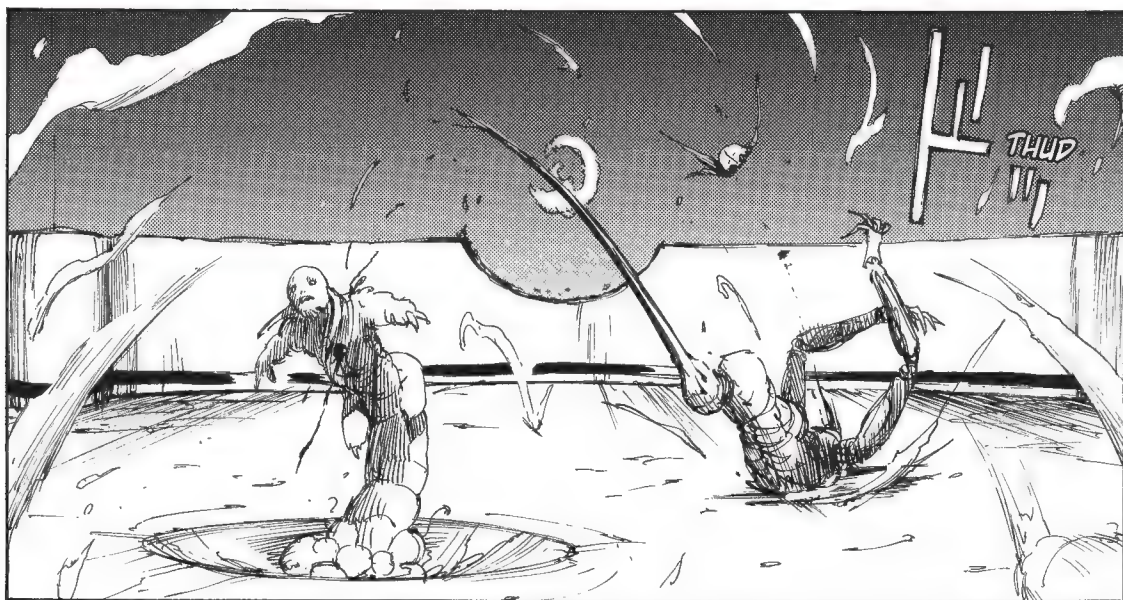


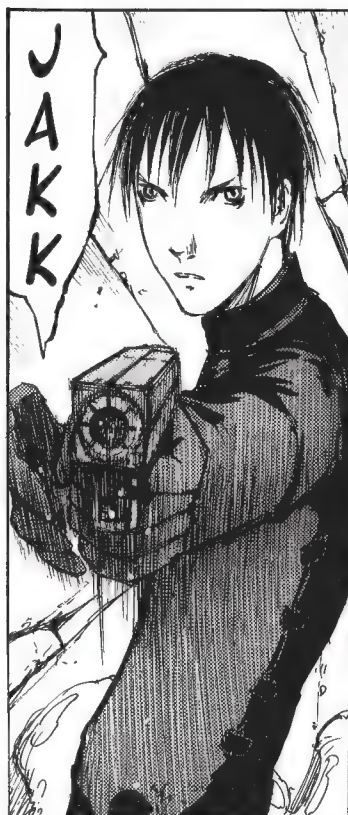
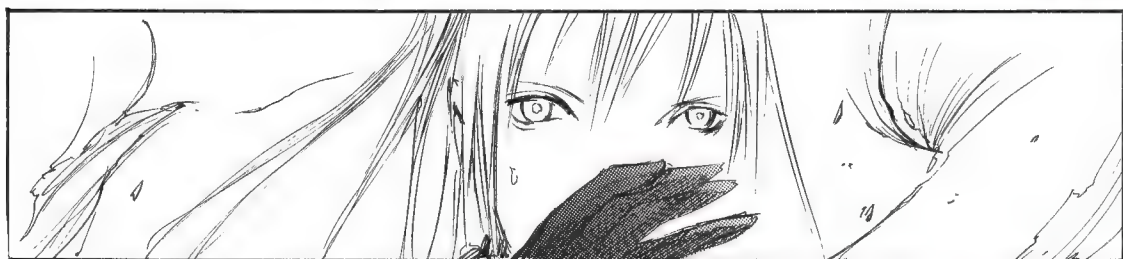


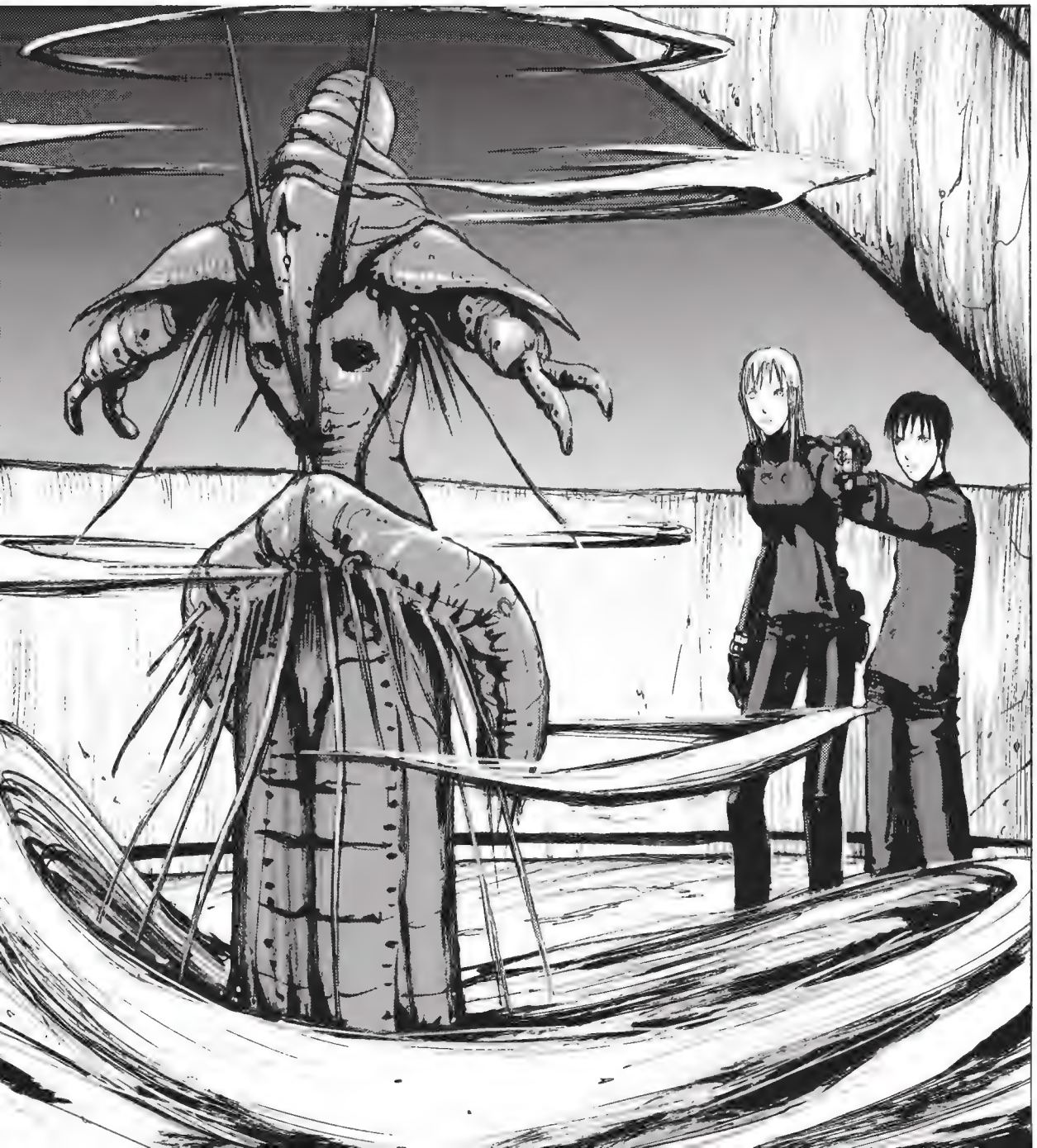
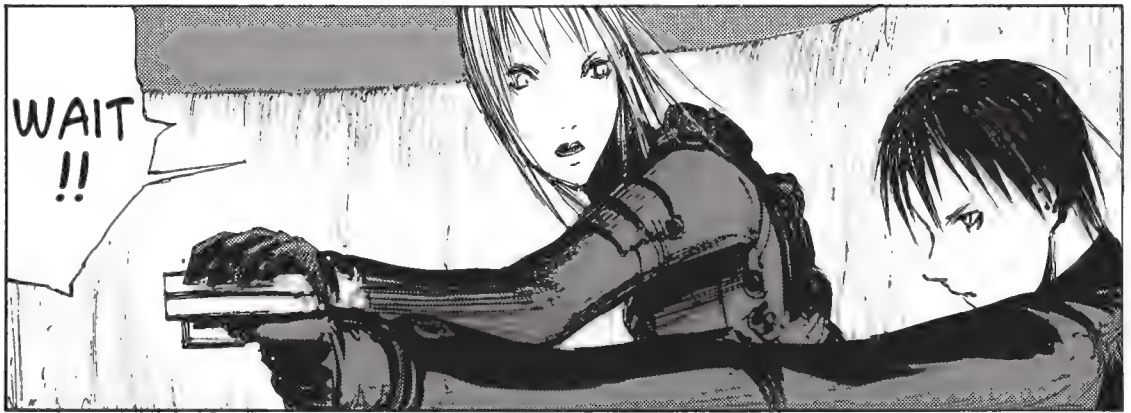


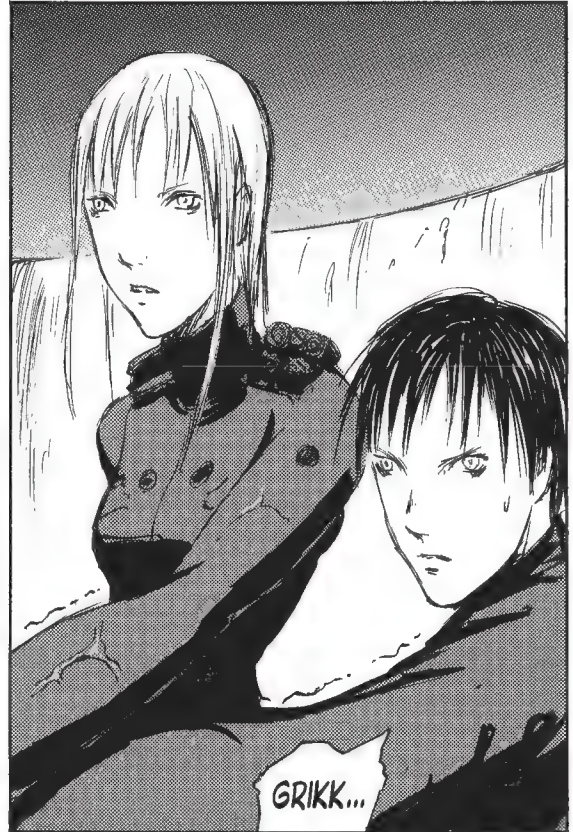
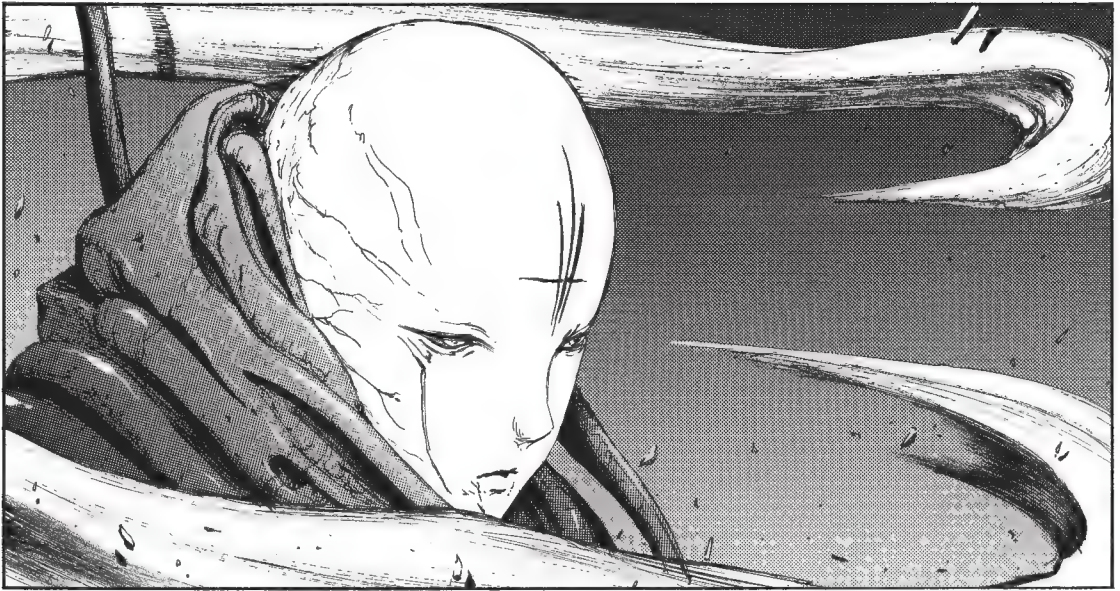


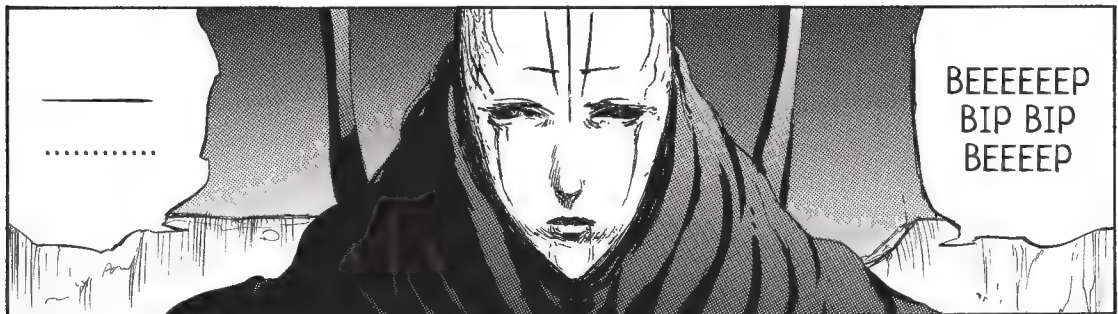
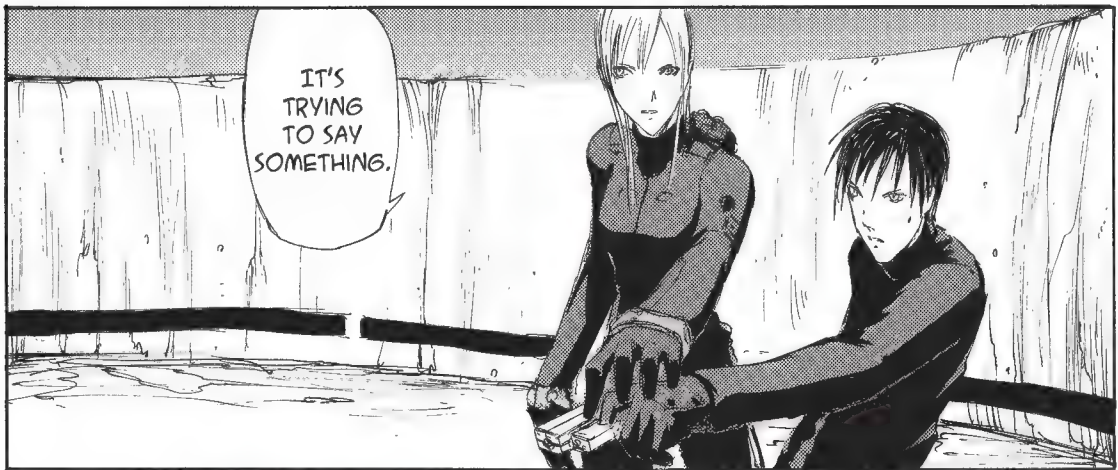


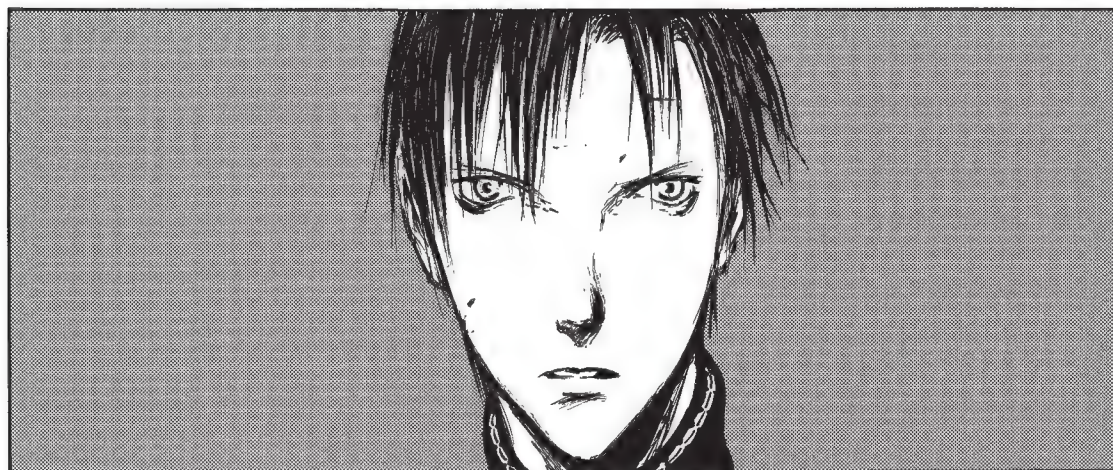
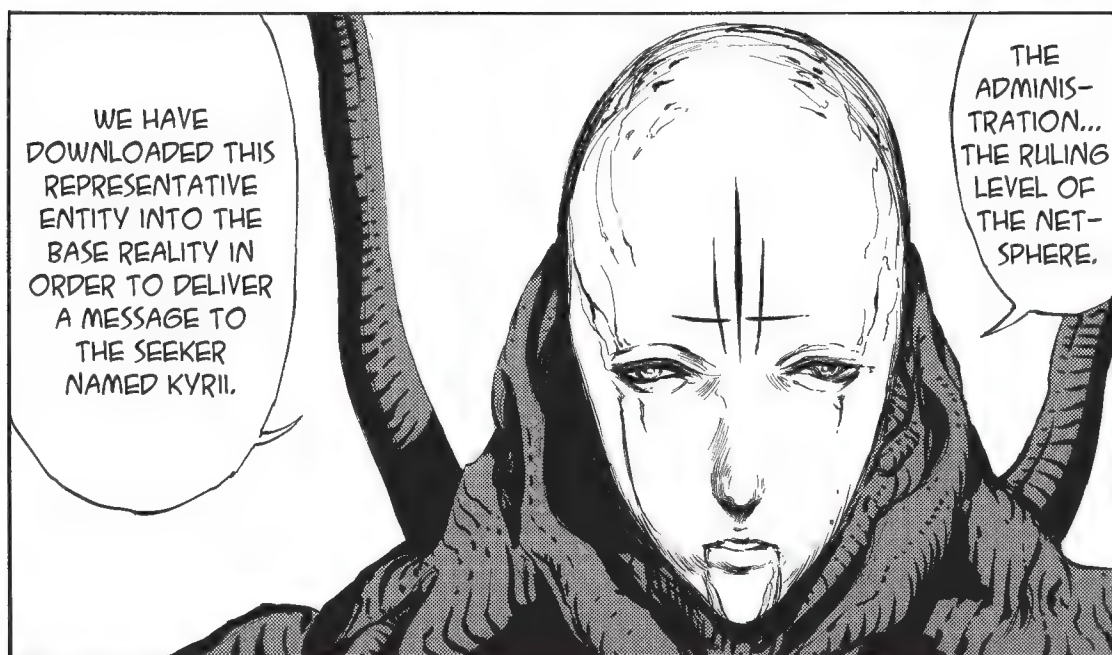
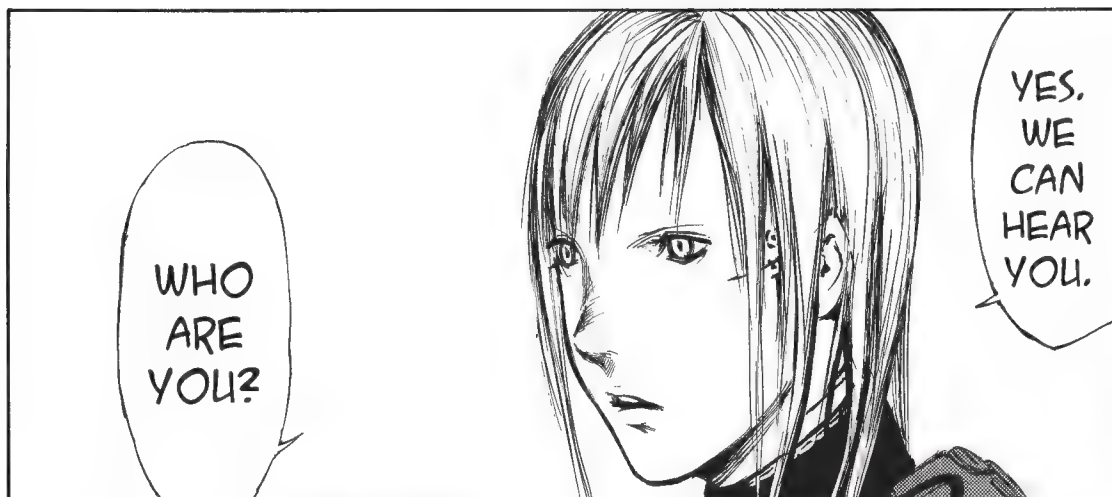


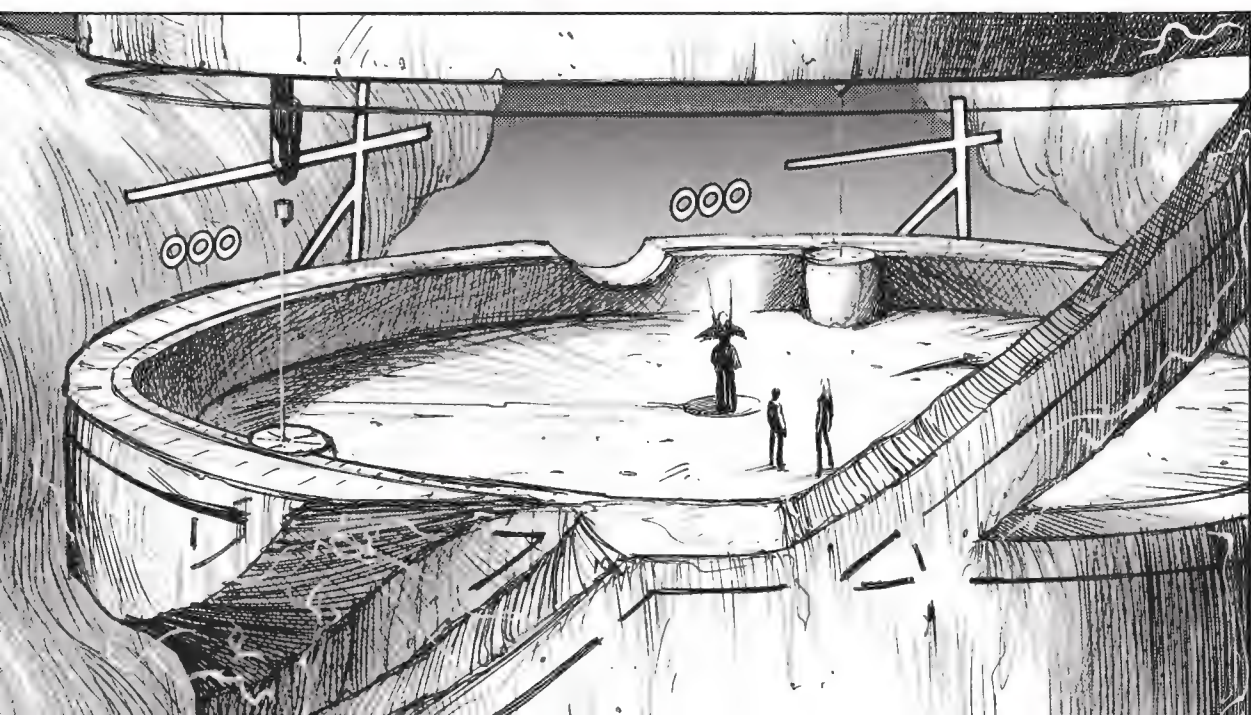
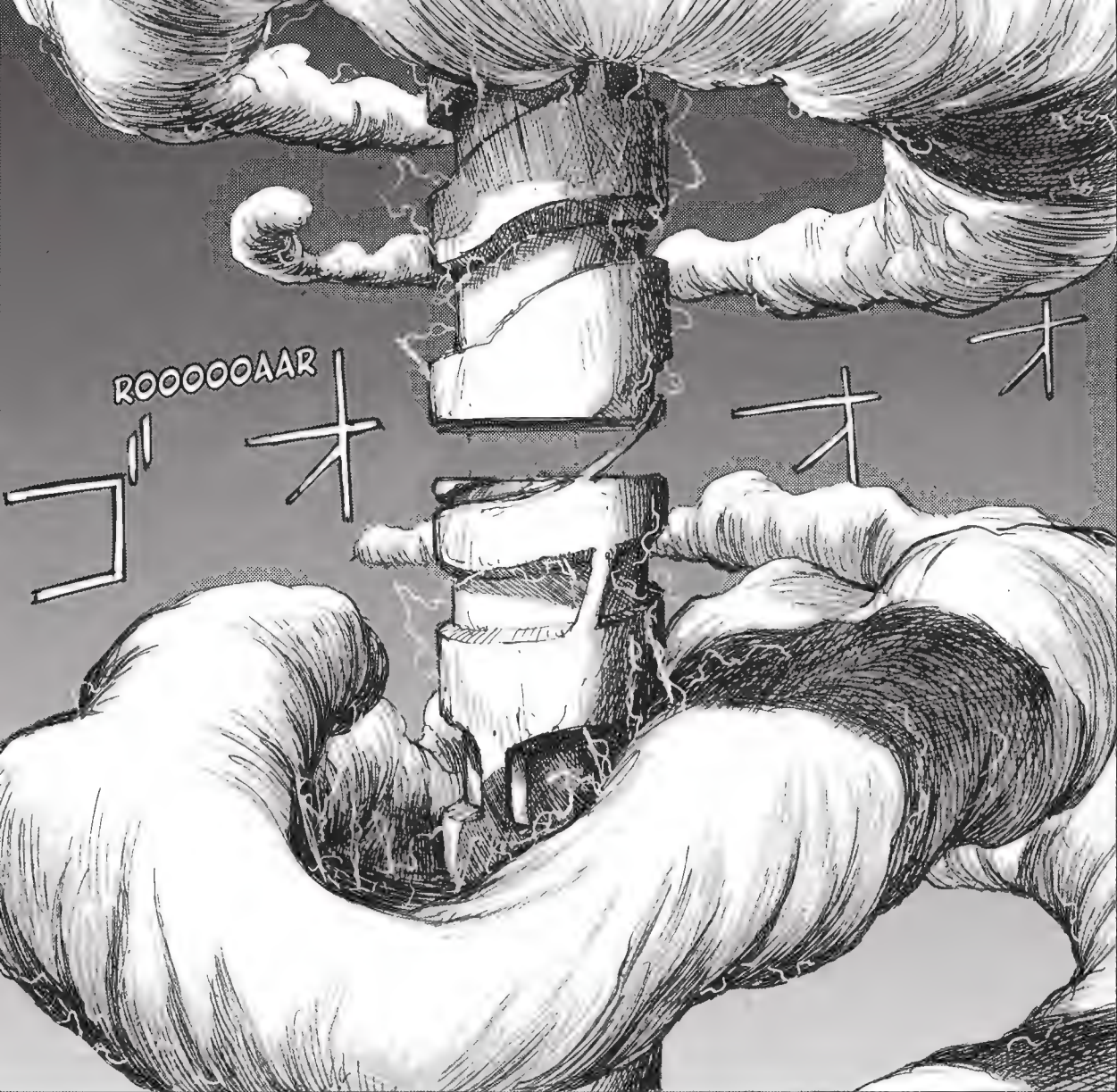


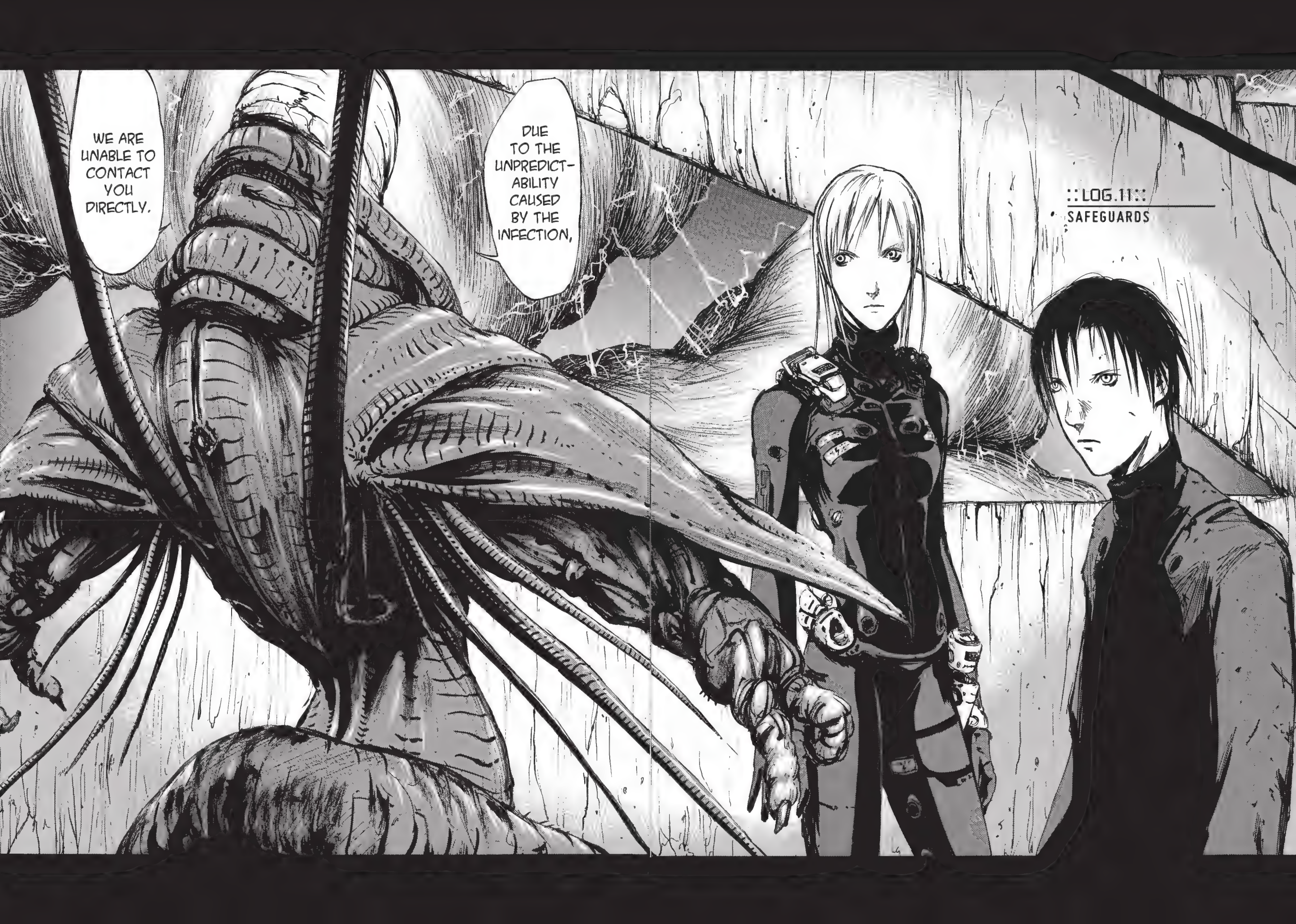












WE ARE
UNABLE TO
CONTACT
YOU
DIRECTLY.

DUE
TO THE
UNPREDICT-
ABILITY
CAUSED
BY THE
INFECTION,

::LOG.11::
• SAFEGUARDS

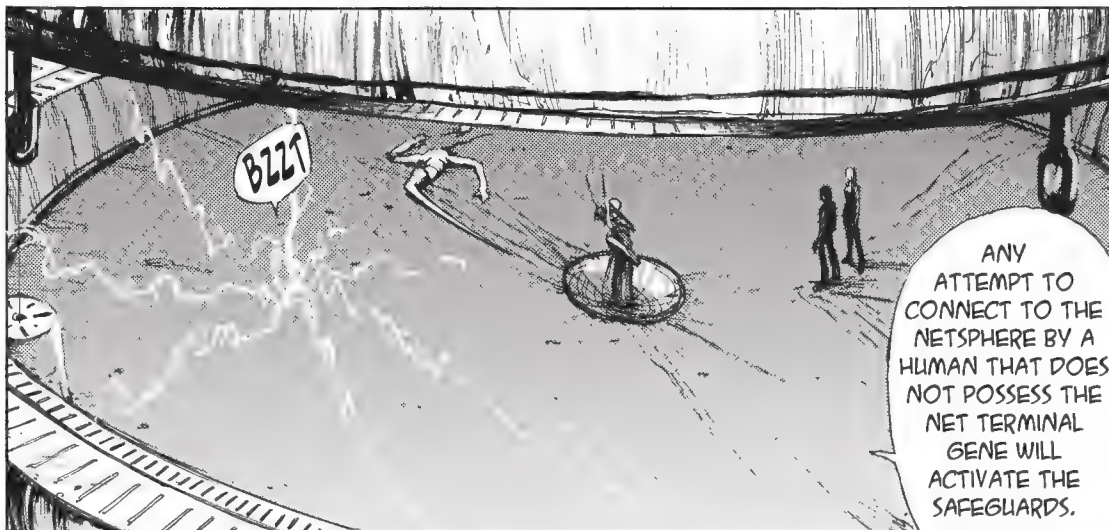


THIS IS
BECAUSE,
REGARD-
LESS
OF THE
METHOD,

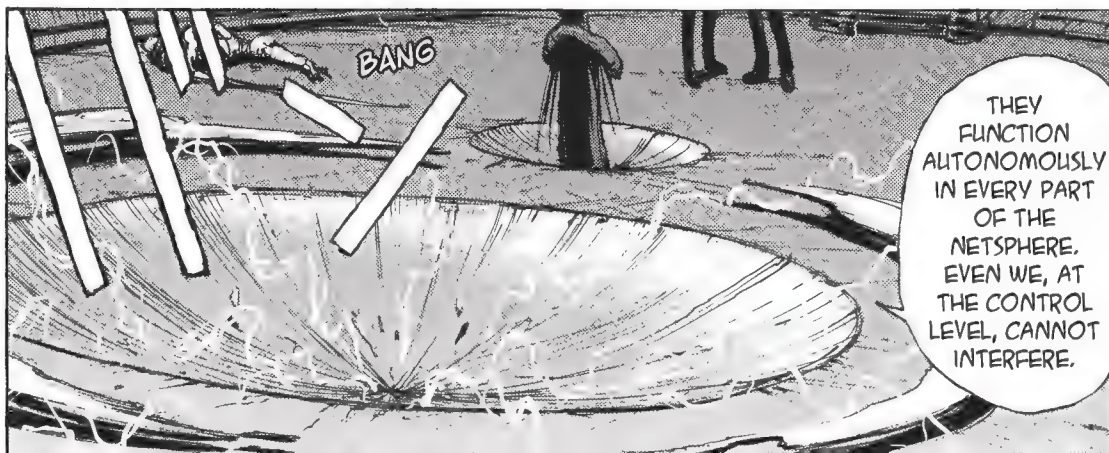
HOWEVER,
NOT A SINGLE
ONE OF YOUR
ATTEMPTS
HAS
SUCCEEDED.



WE KNOW
THAT YOU
HUMANS HAVE
ENDEAVORED
TO BREAK
FREE OF
OUR MUTUAL
ISOLATION.



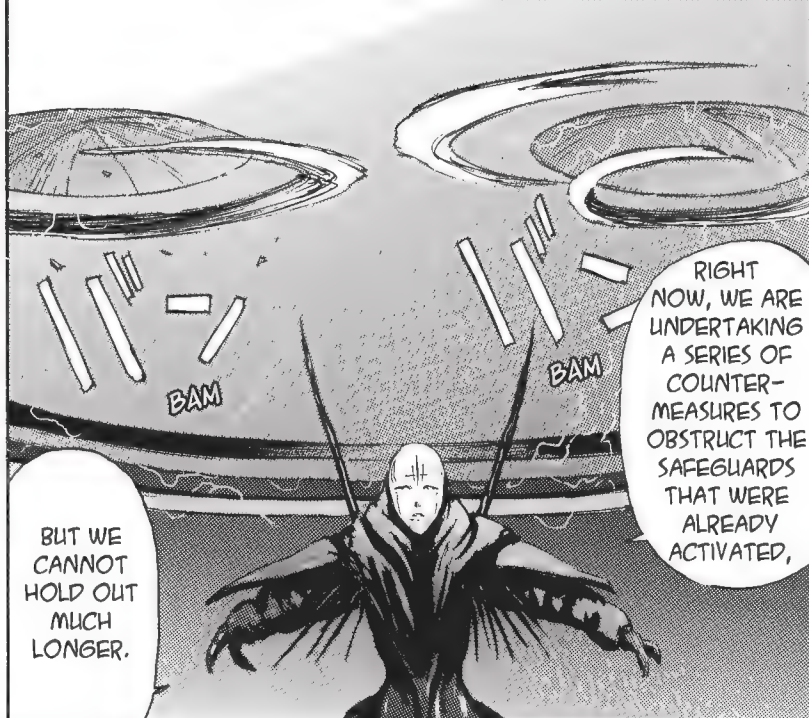
ANY
ATTEMPT TO
CONNECT TO THE
NETSPHERE BY A
HUMAN THAT DOES
NOT POSSESS THE
NET TERMINAL
GENE WILL
ACTIVATE THE
SAFEGUARDS.



THEY
FUNCTION
AUTONOMOUSLY
IN EVERY PART
OF THE
NETSPHERE.
EVEN WE, AT
THE CONTROL
LEVEL, CANNOT
INTERFERE.



SO
WHAT IS
YOUR
GOAL?



BUT WE
CANNOT
HOLD OUT
MUCH
LONGER.

RIGHT
NOW, WE ARE
UNDERTAKING
A SERIES OF
COUNTER-
MEASURES TO
OBSTRUCT THE
SAFEGUARDS
THAT WERE
ALREADY
ACTIVATED,



THIS
PHENOMENON
HAS GONE ON FOR
SO LONG THAT WE
ARE NO LONGER
CAPABLE OF
COMPLETELY
GRASPING ITS SCALE.

THE
CITY GROWS
AT RANDOM,
AND ONLY
KEEPS
GROWING.



THE
CONNECTIONS
BETWEEN THE
STRATA ARE UNSTABLE,
WHICH HINDERS THE
CONSTRUCTION OF
THE NETSPHERE,
WHICH ACCELERATES
THE CHAOS.

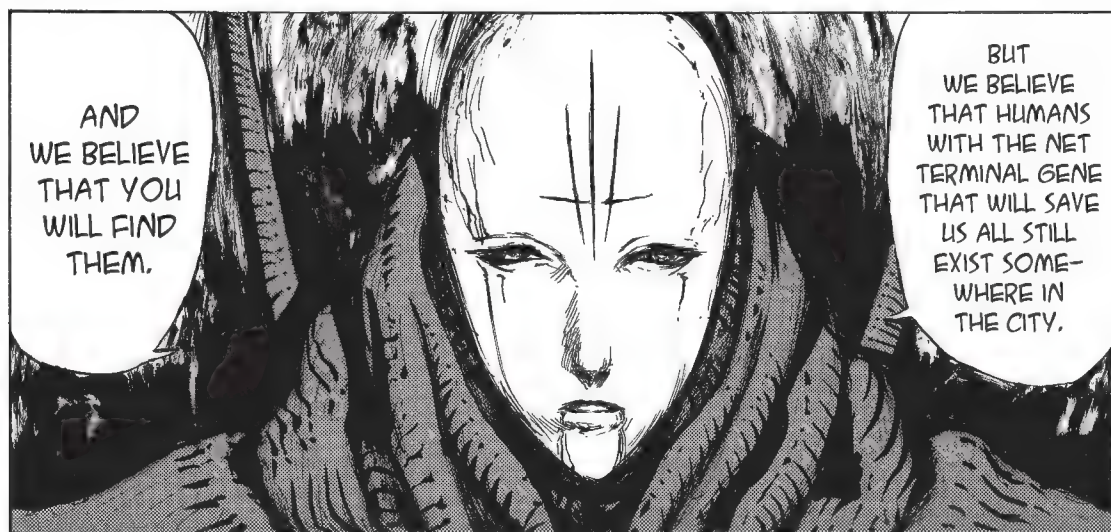
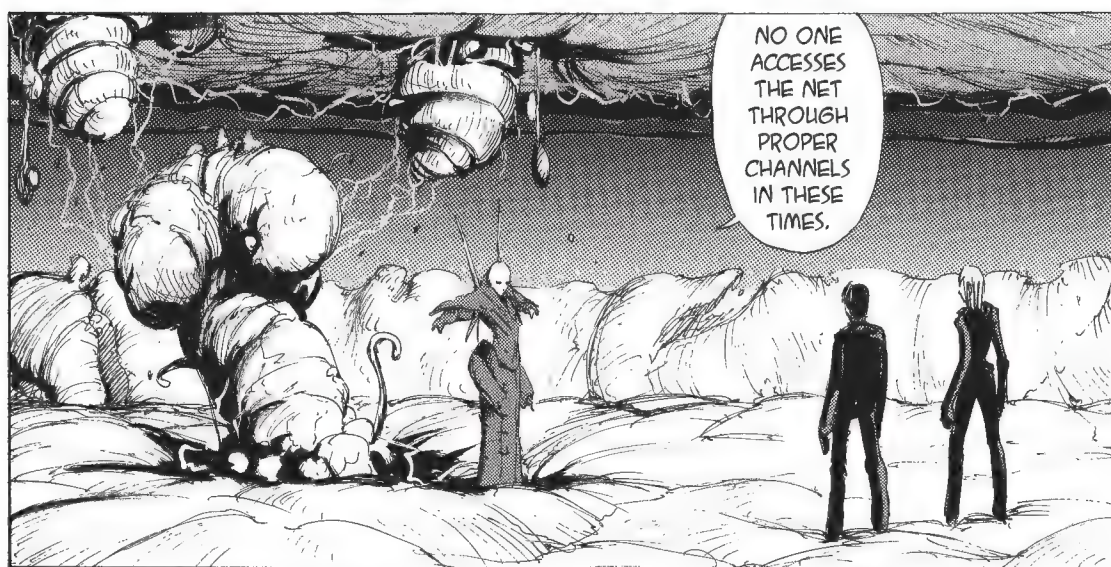
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SINK



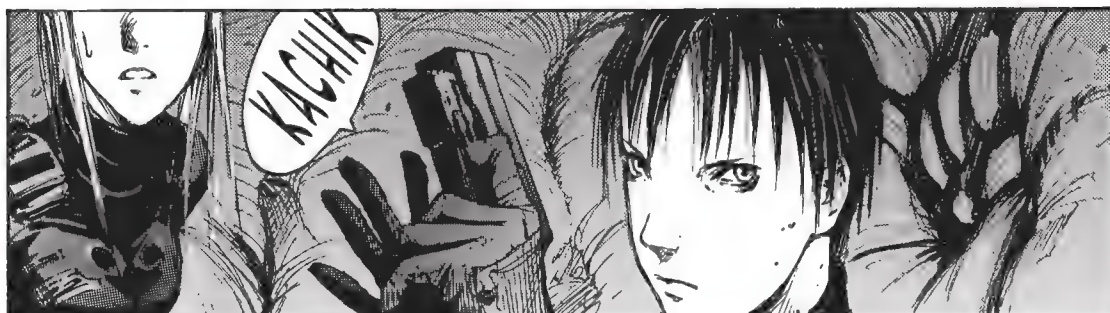
THE
HARDWARE
FOR THE
NETSPHERE
IS BUILT INTO
THE MAIN
STRUCTURE
OF THE
CITY.

GWORP





SOON THE
SAFEGUARDS
WILL FINISH
DOWN-
LOADING.



KACHIK

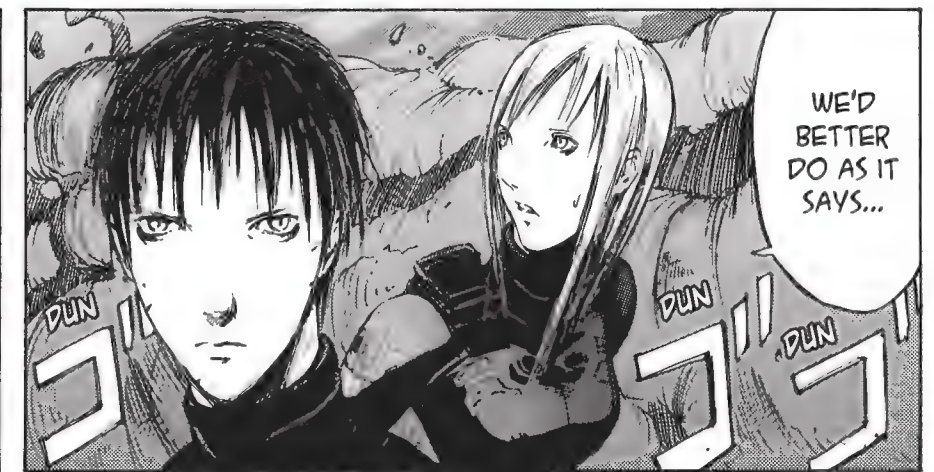
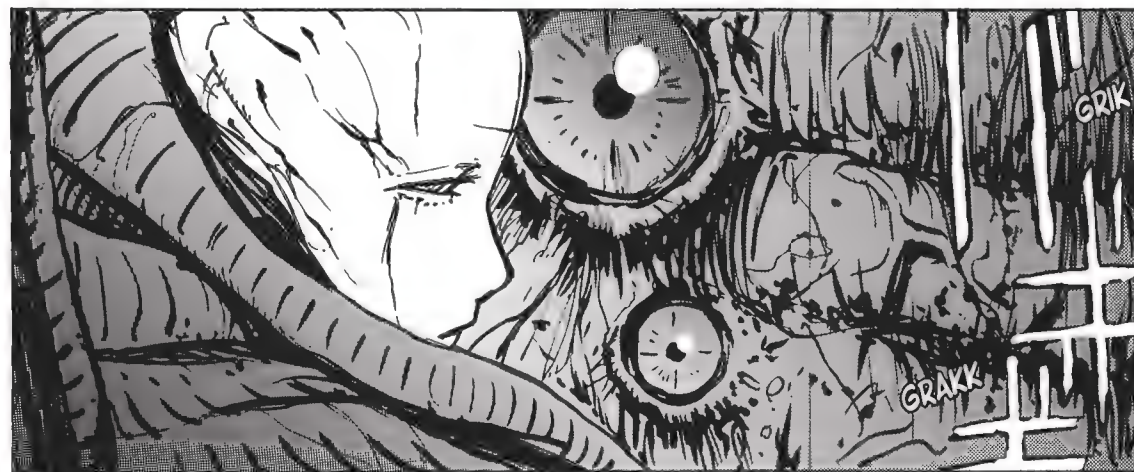
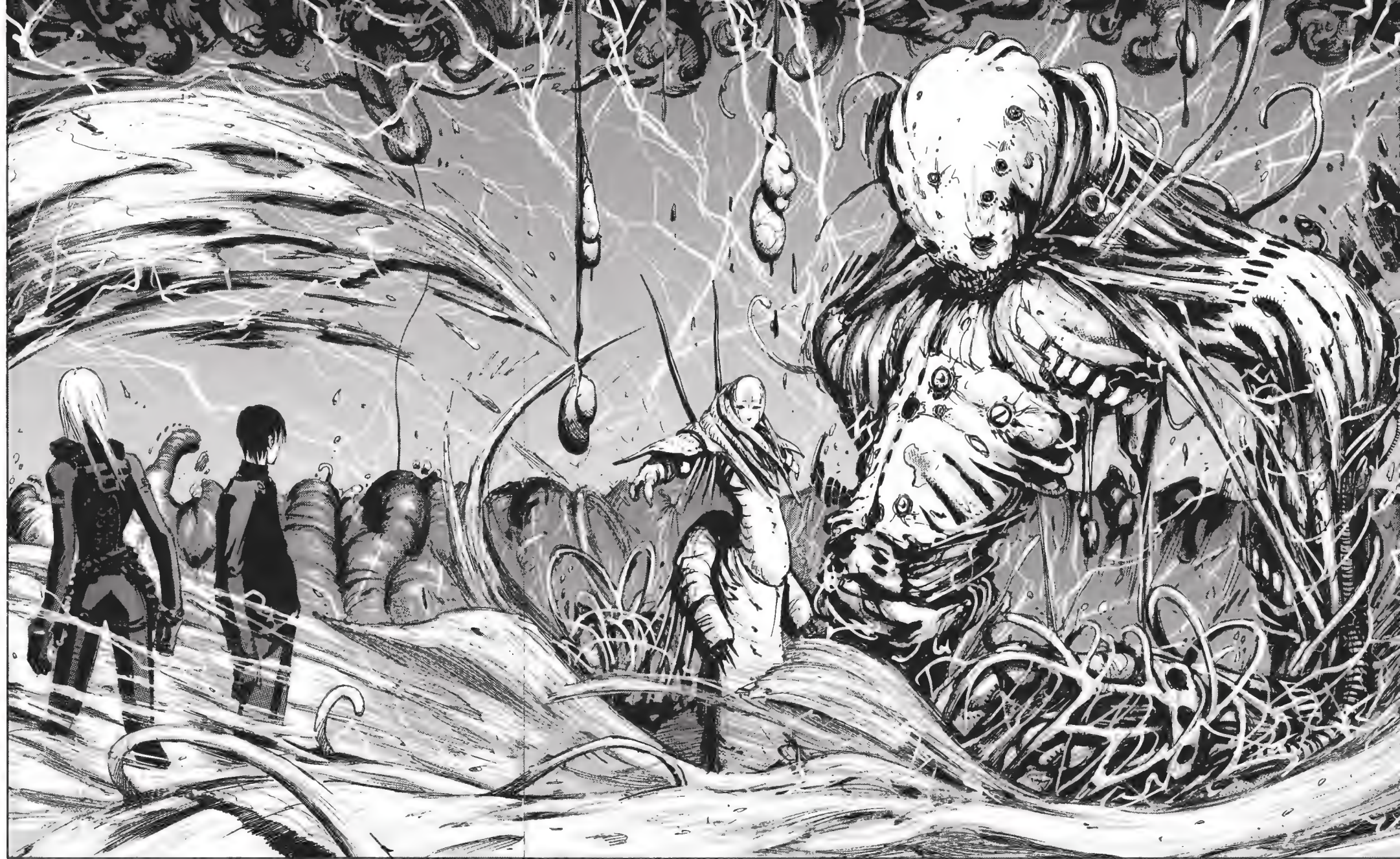
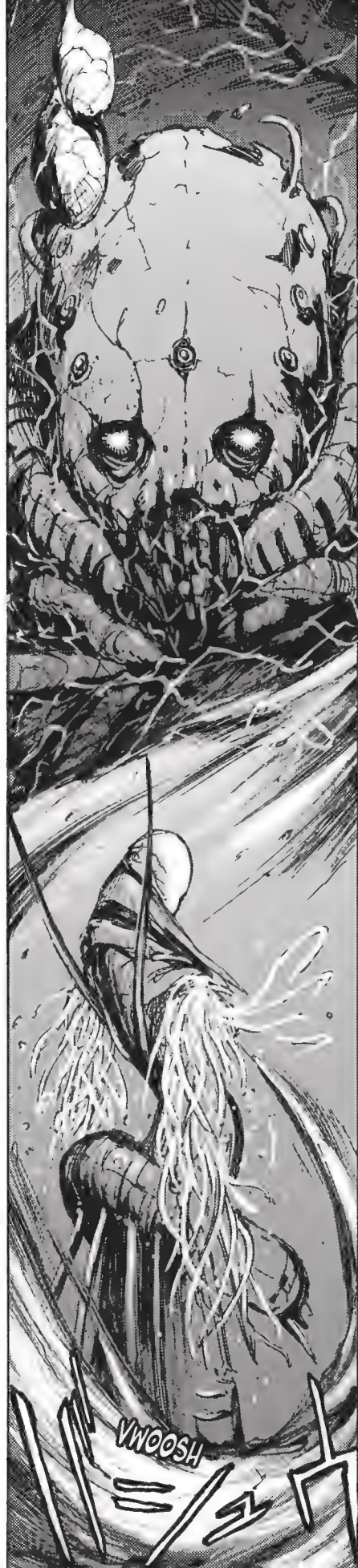


WE
ADVISE YOU TO
IMMEDIATELY
HEAD FOR THE
TOP AND CARRY
ON WITH YOUR
PLANS.

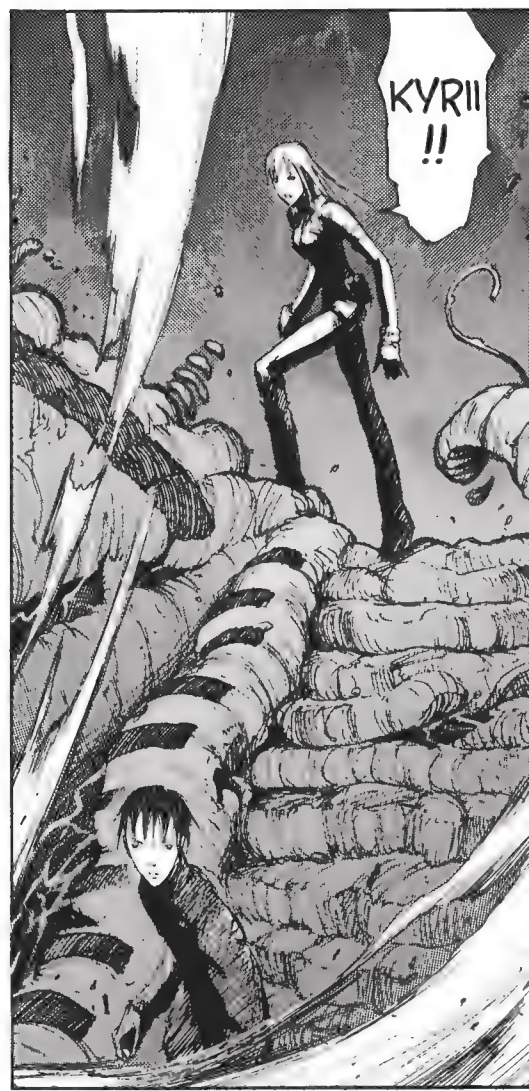
YOU
SHOULDN'T
BOTHR
WITH
THAT.

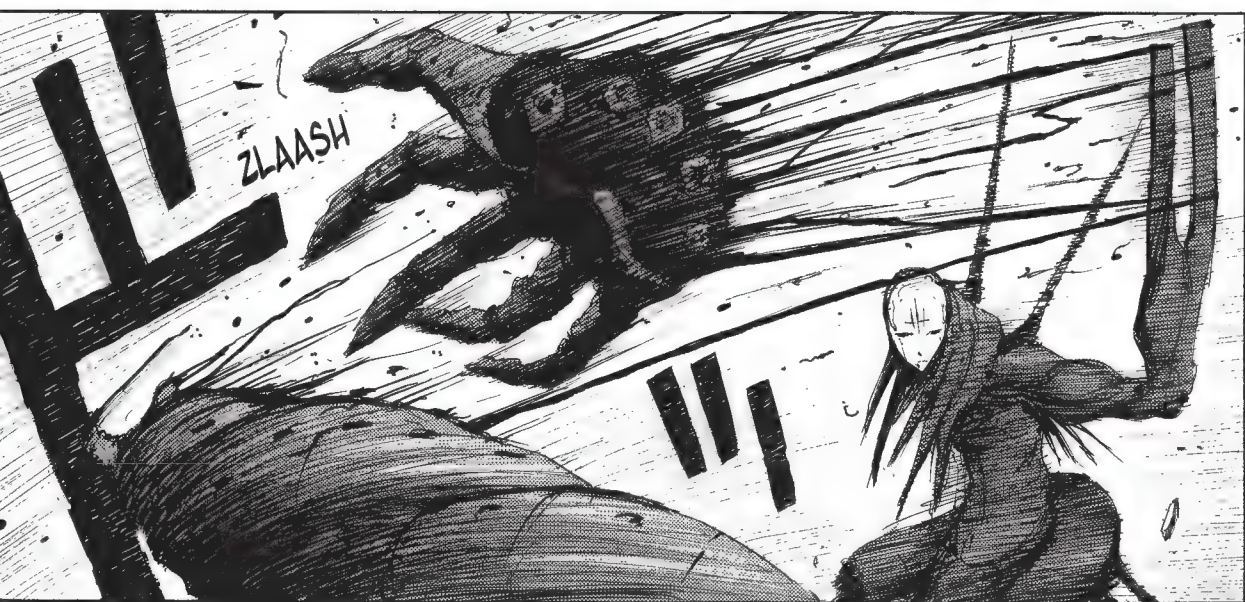
THE
SAFEGUARDS
USE THE
MATERIALS FROM
THIS TOWER.
THEY CAN
FORWARD AS
MANY COPIES
AS IT TAKES.

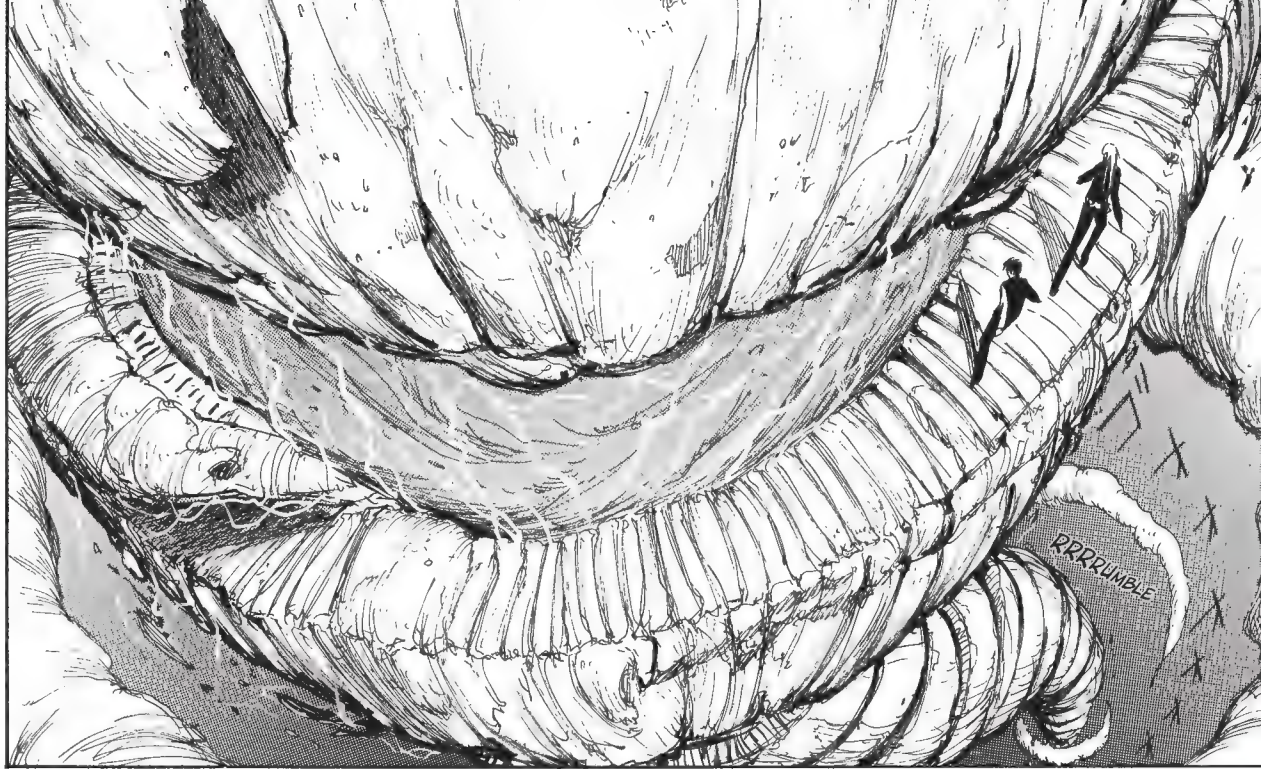
ZAP
ZZNAP

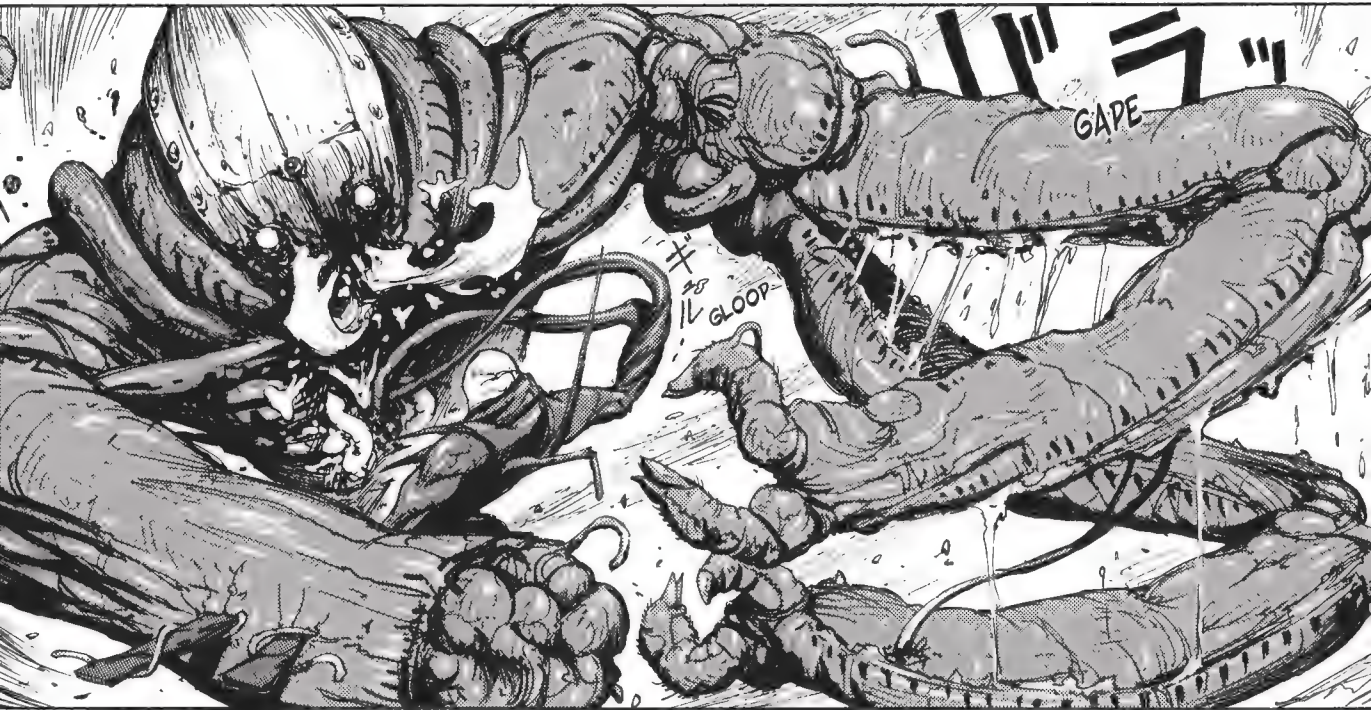


WE'D
BETTER
DO AS IT
SAYS...

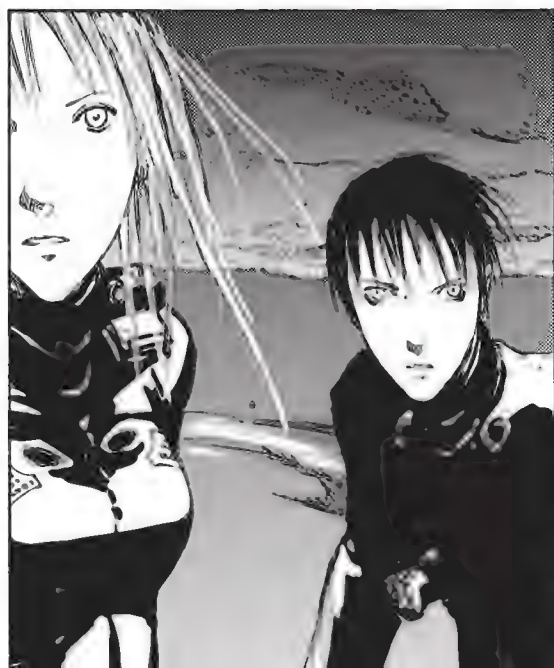
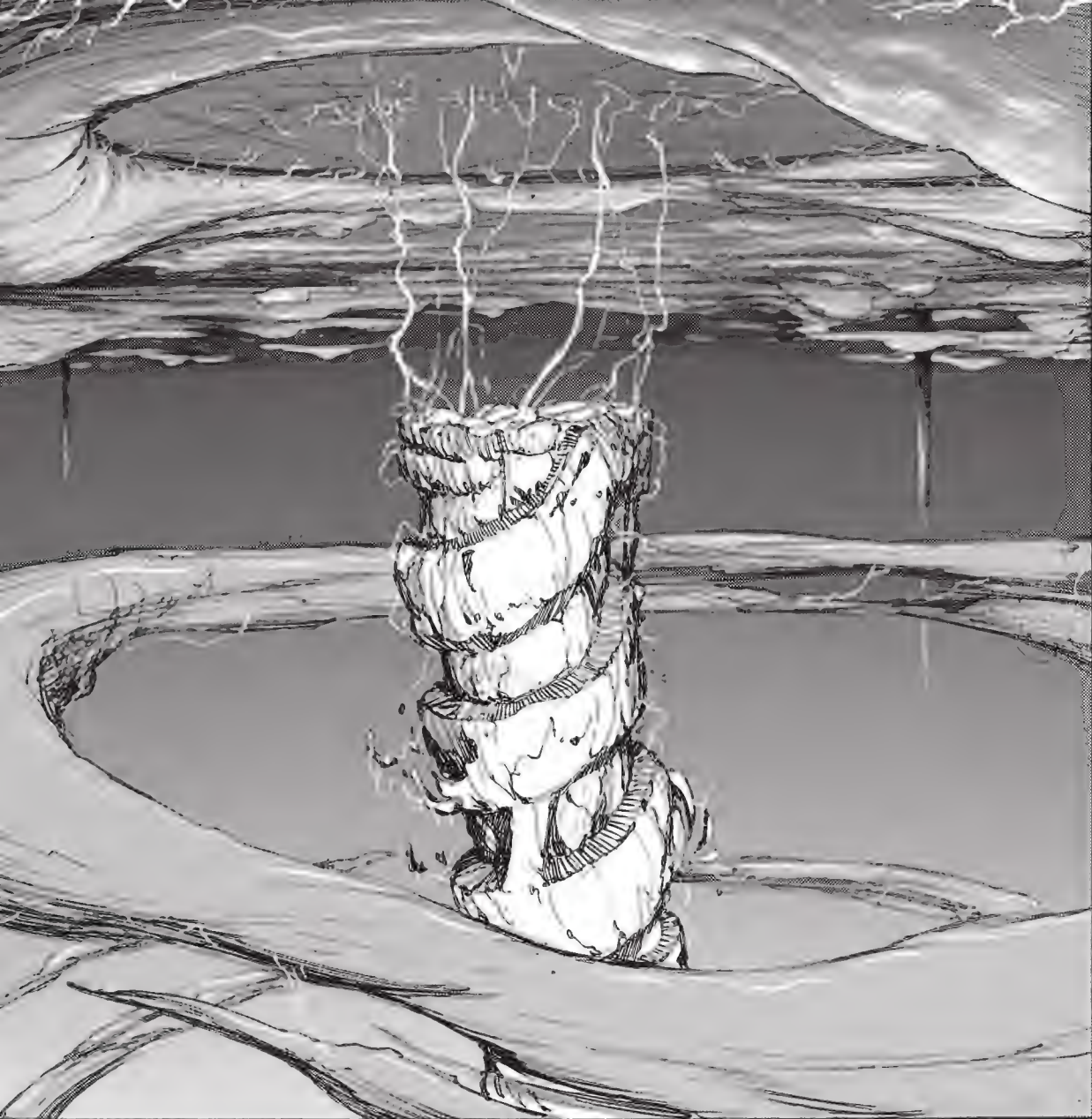




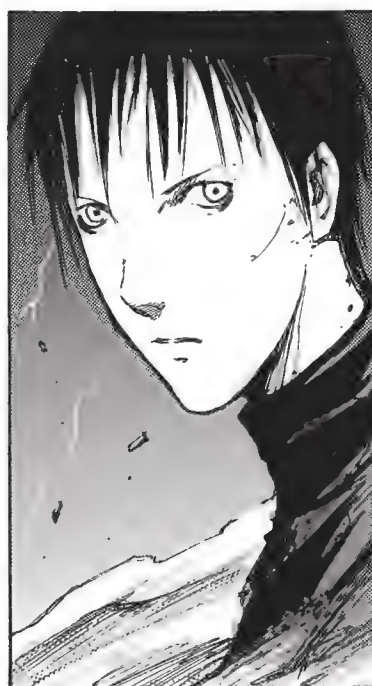
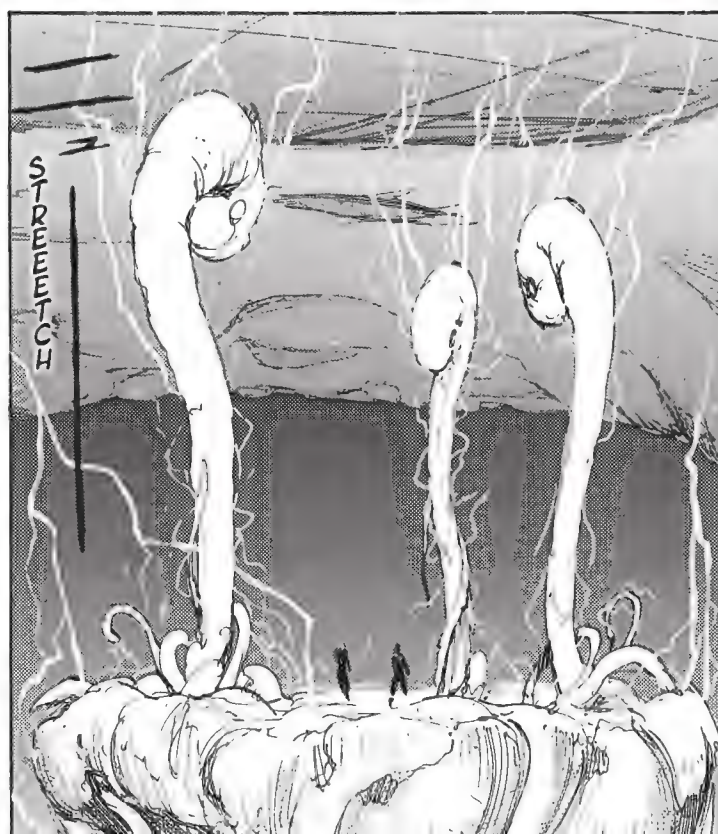
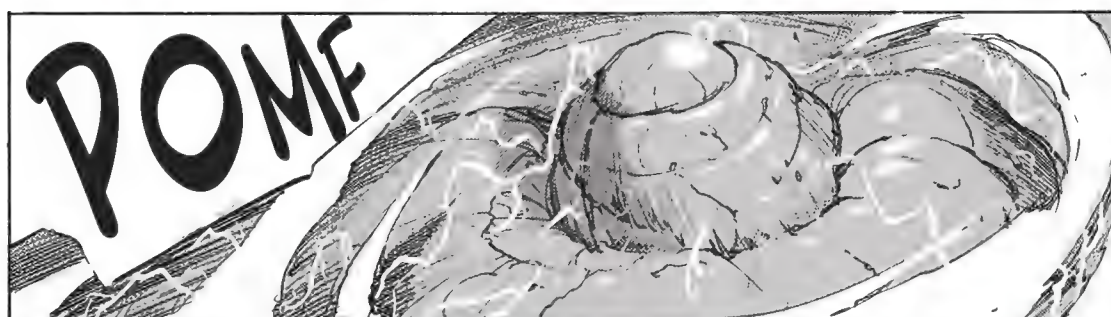
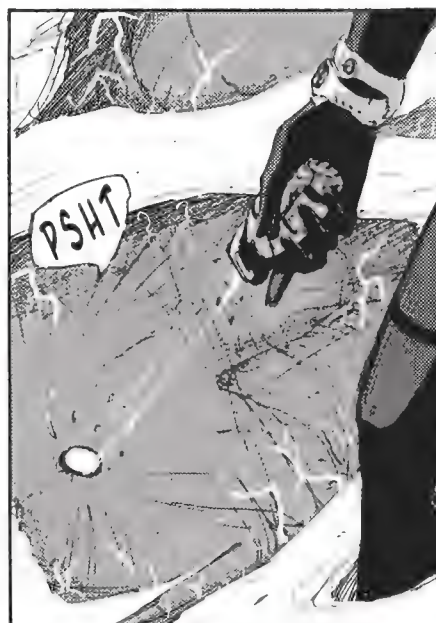


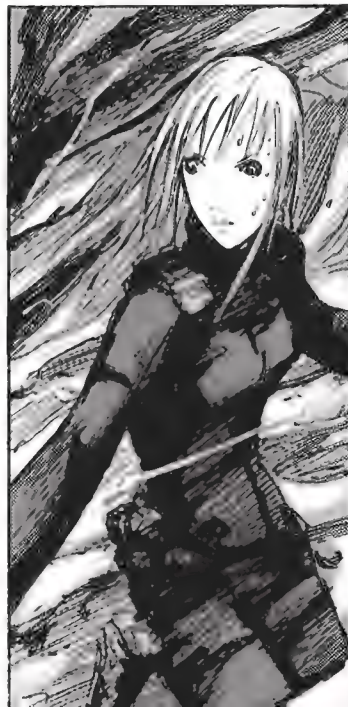


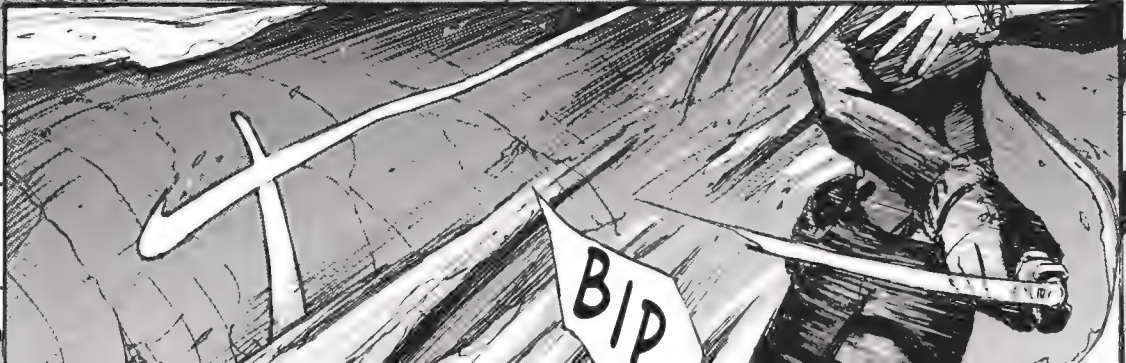


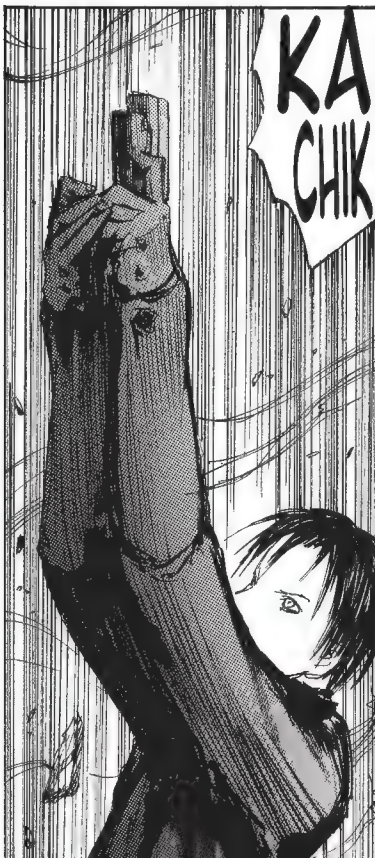
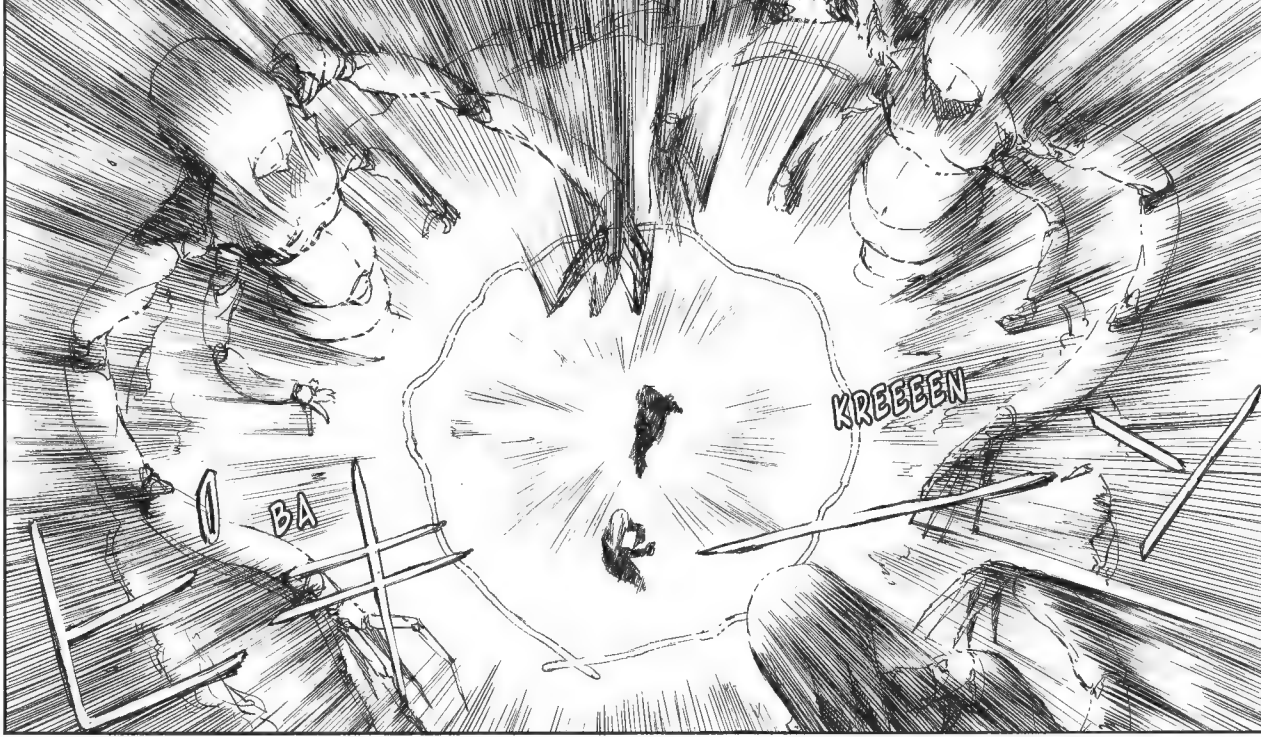


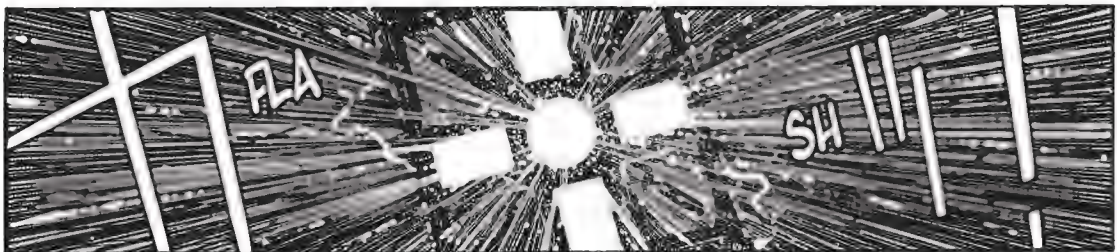
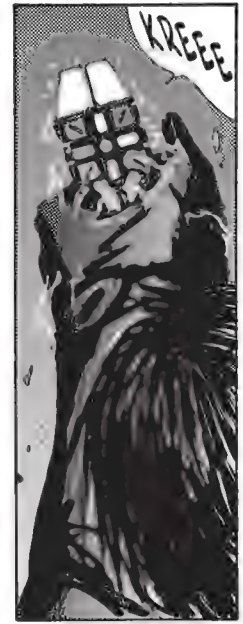


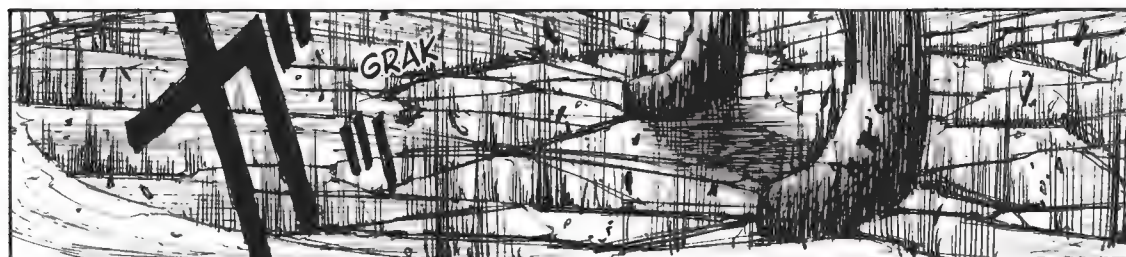


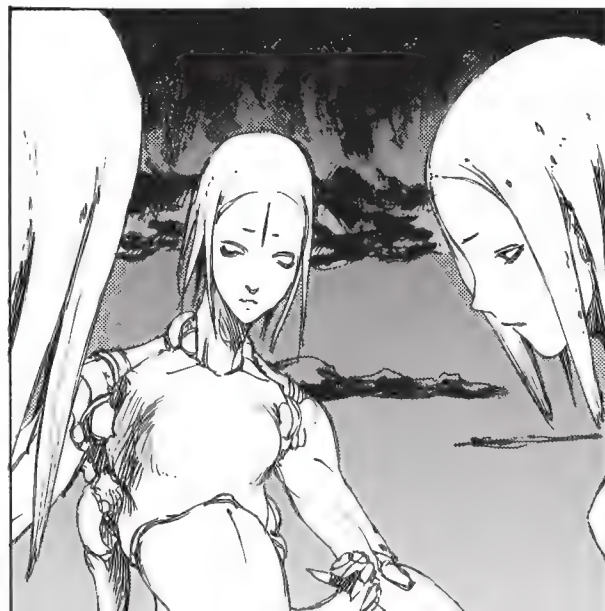
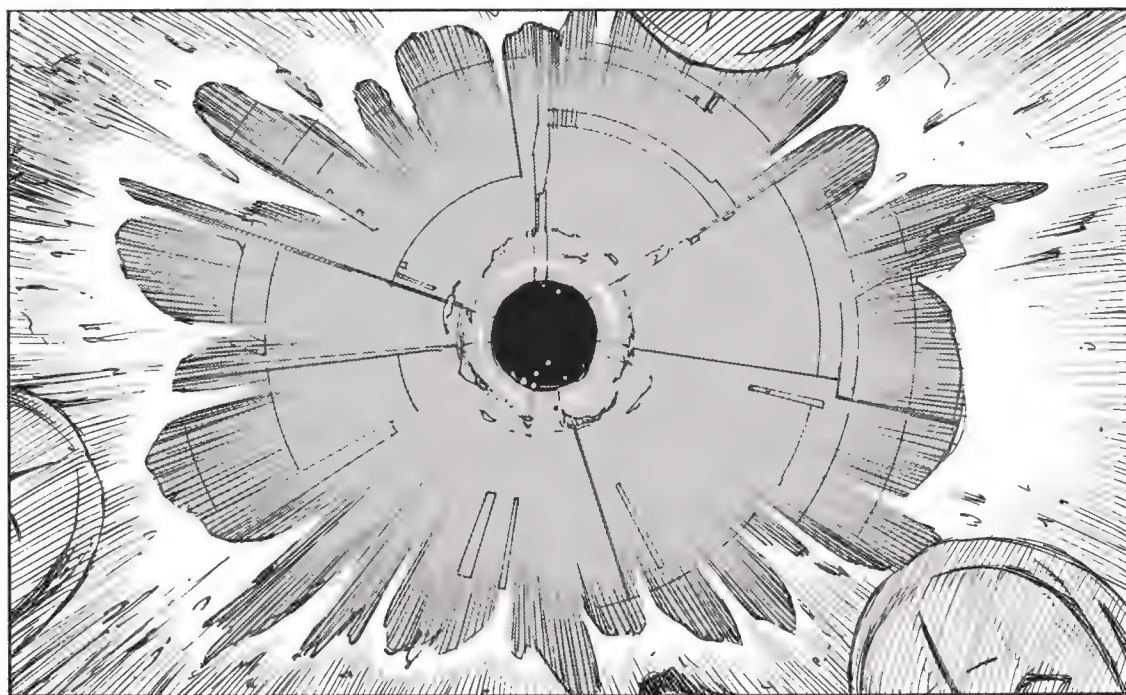


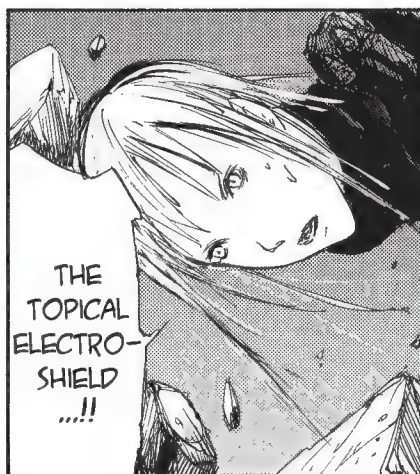


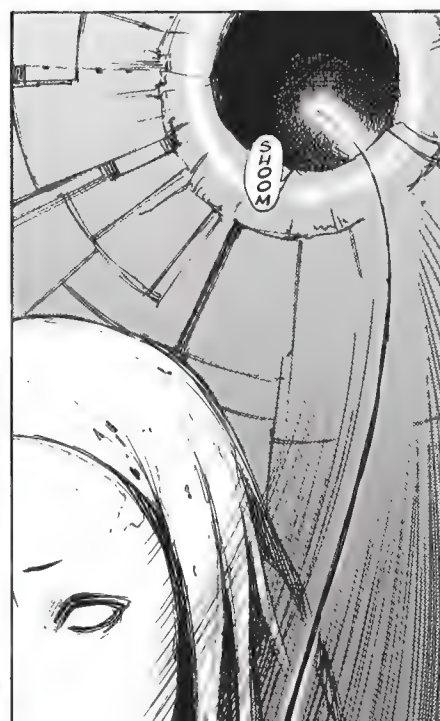
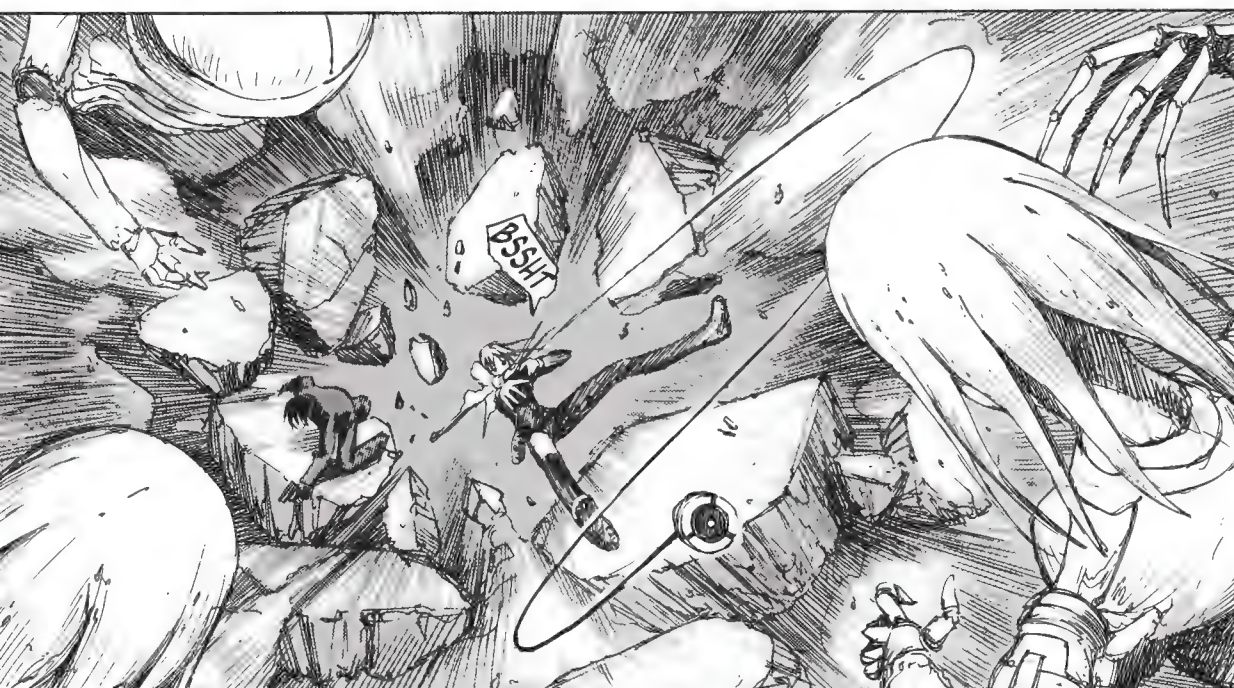
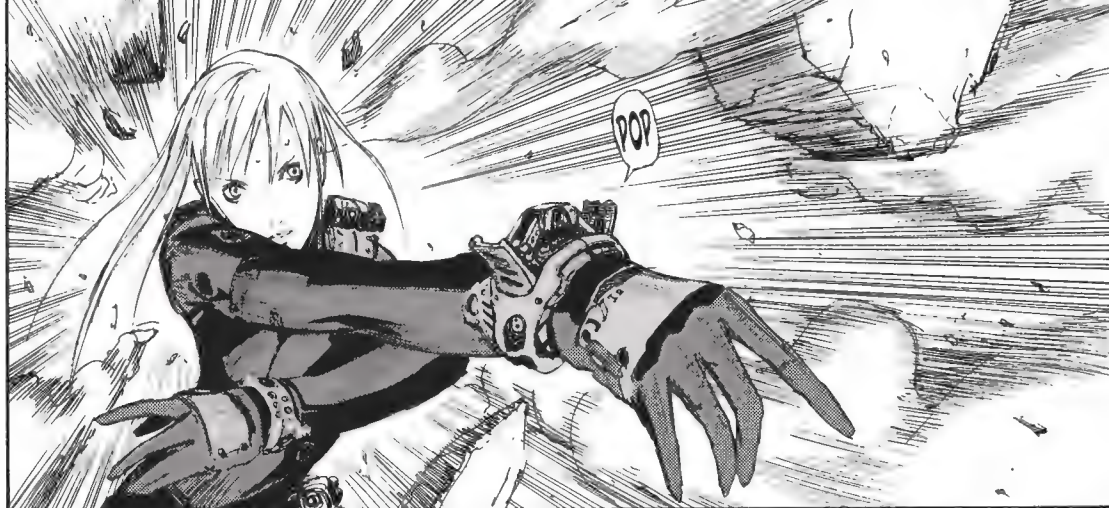


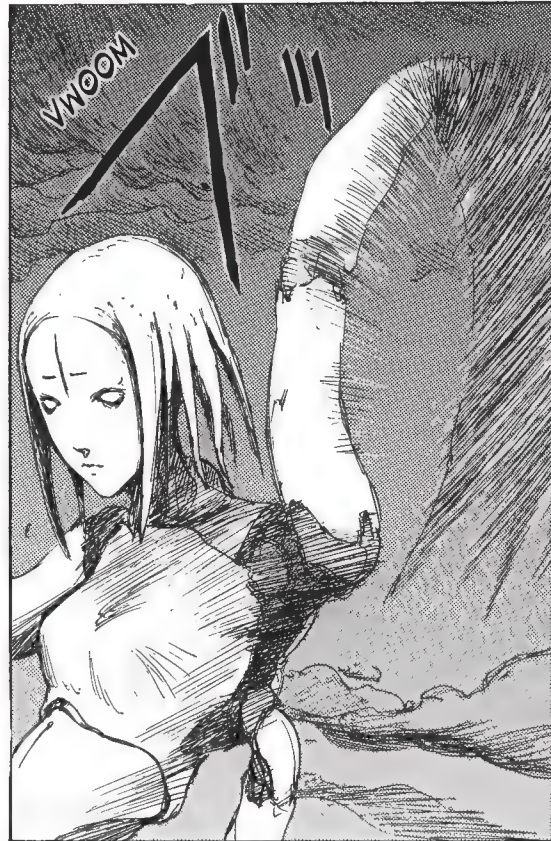
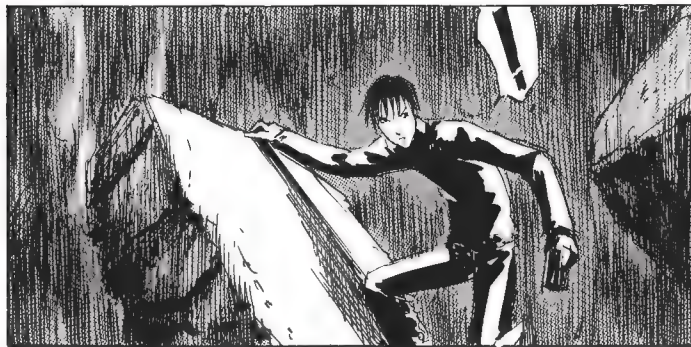


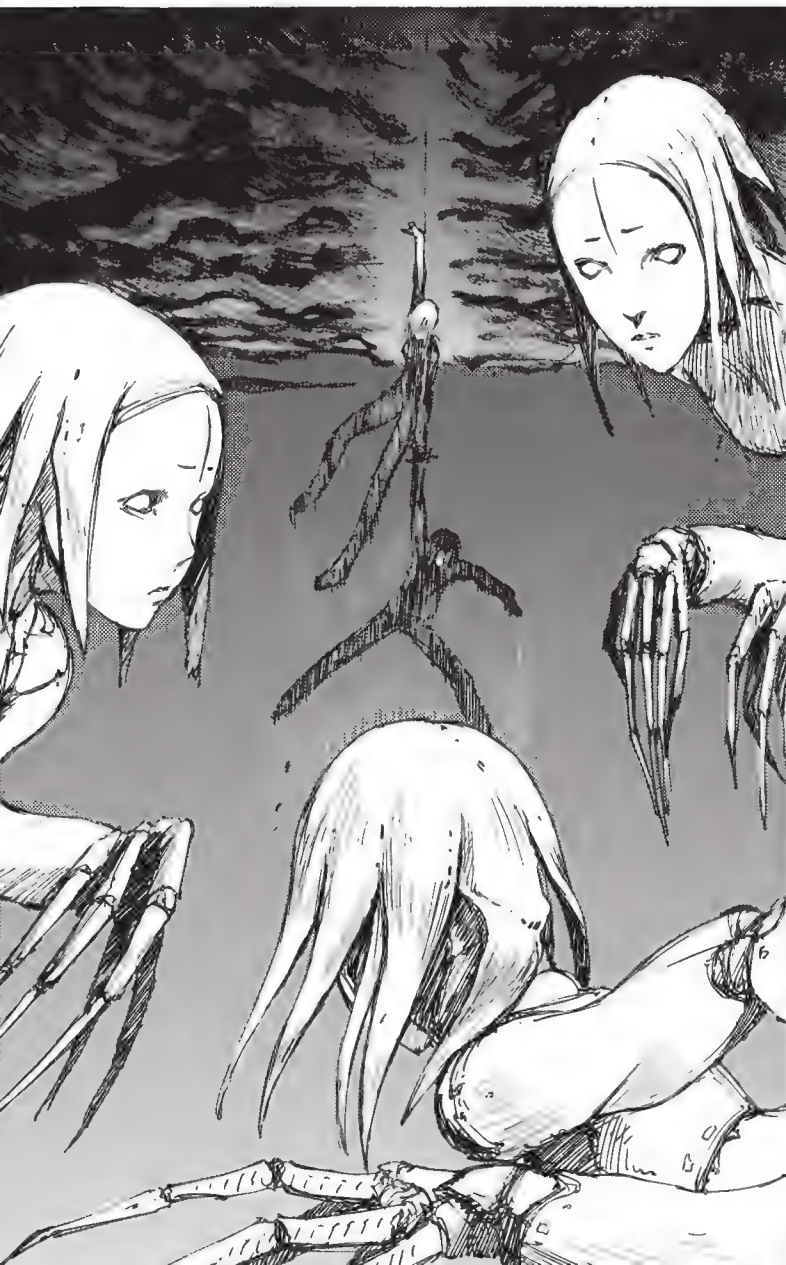


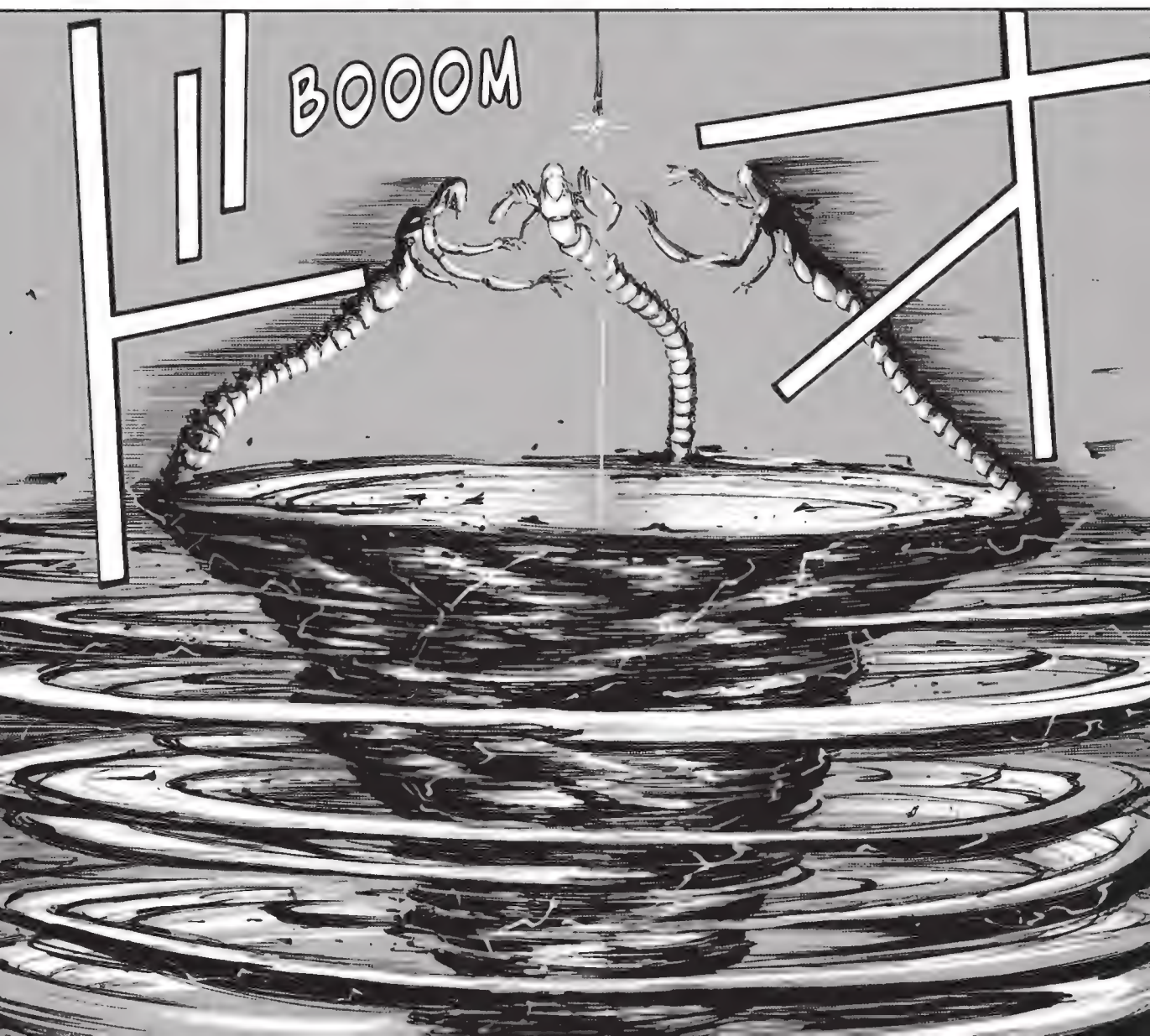


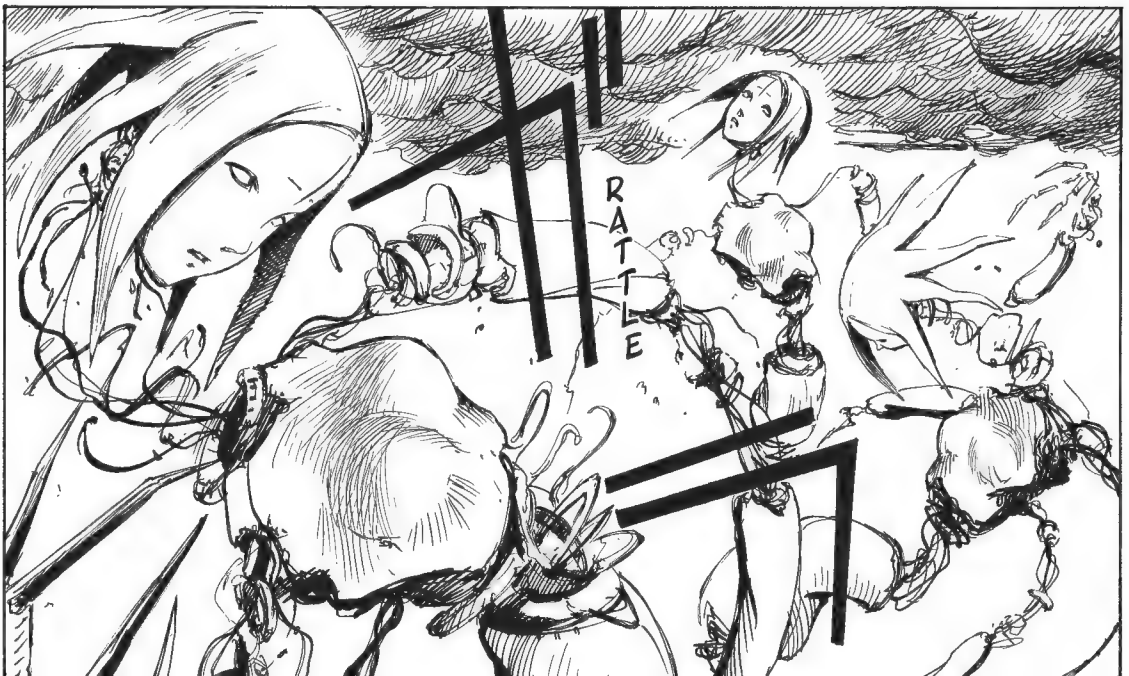




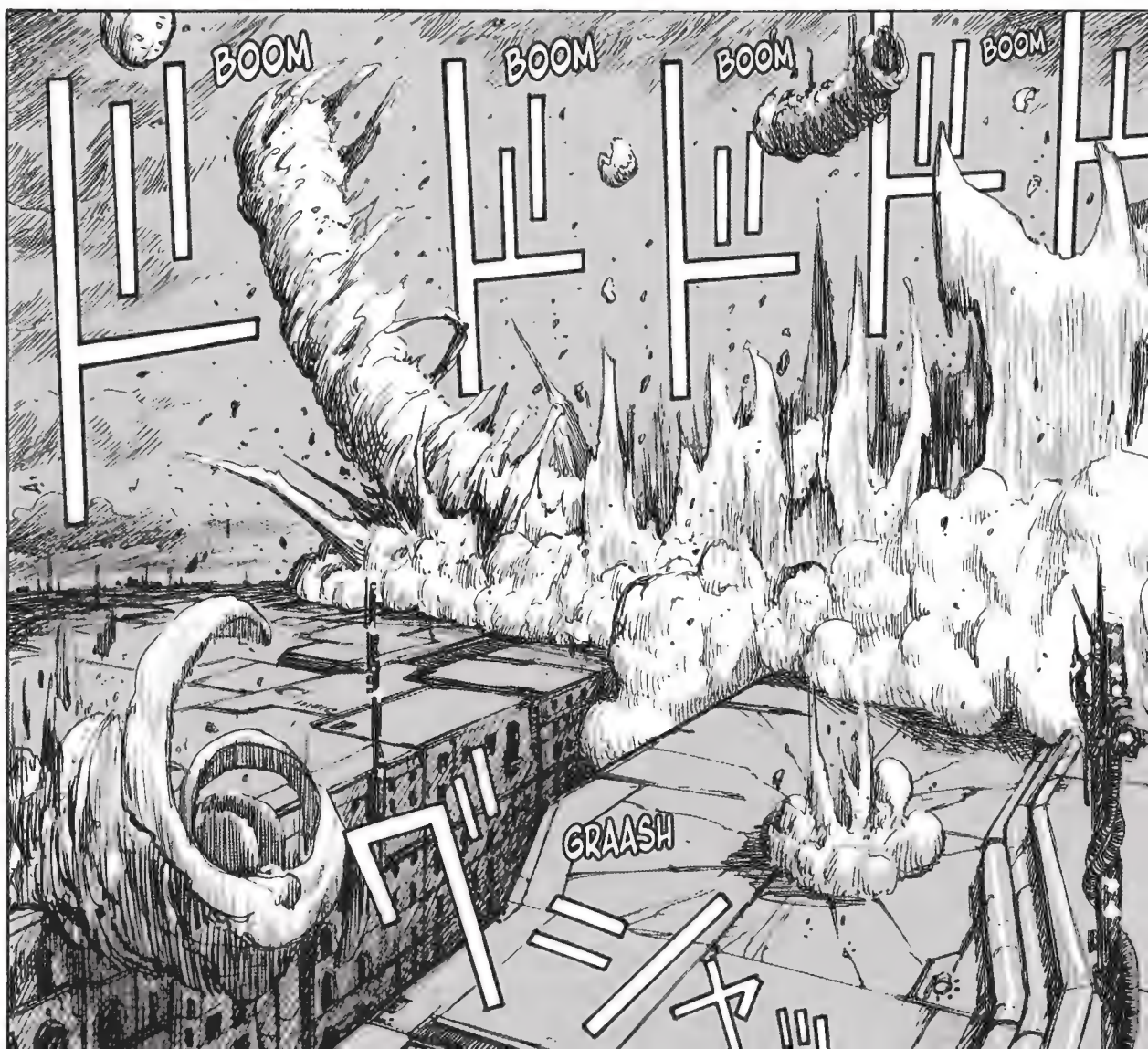
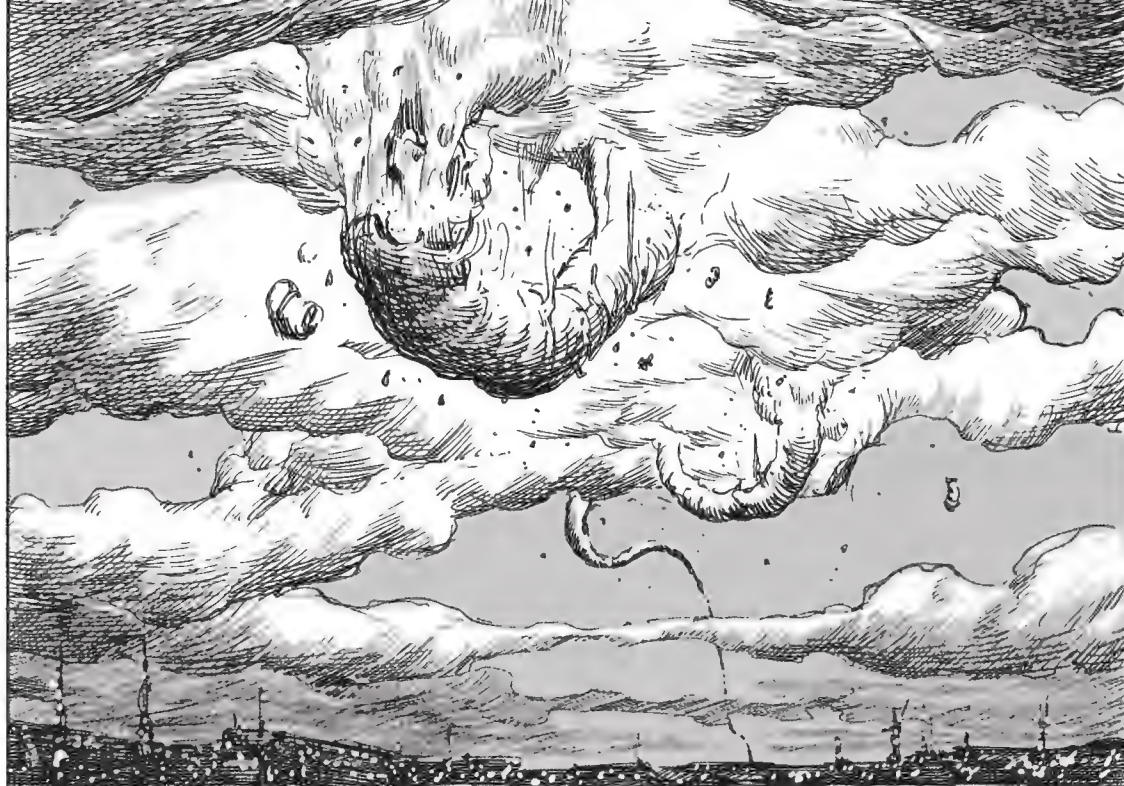


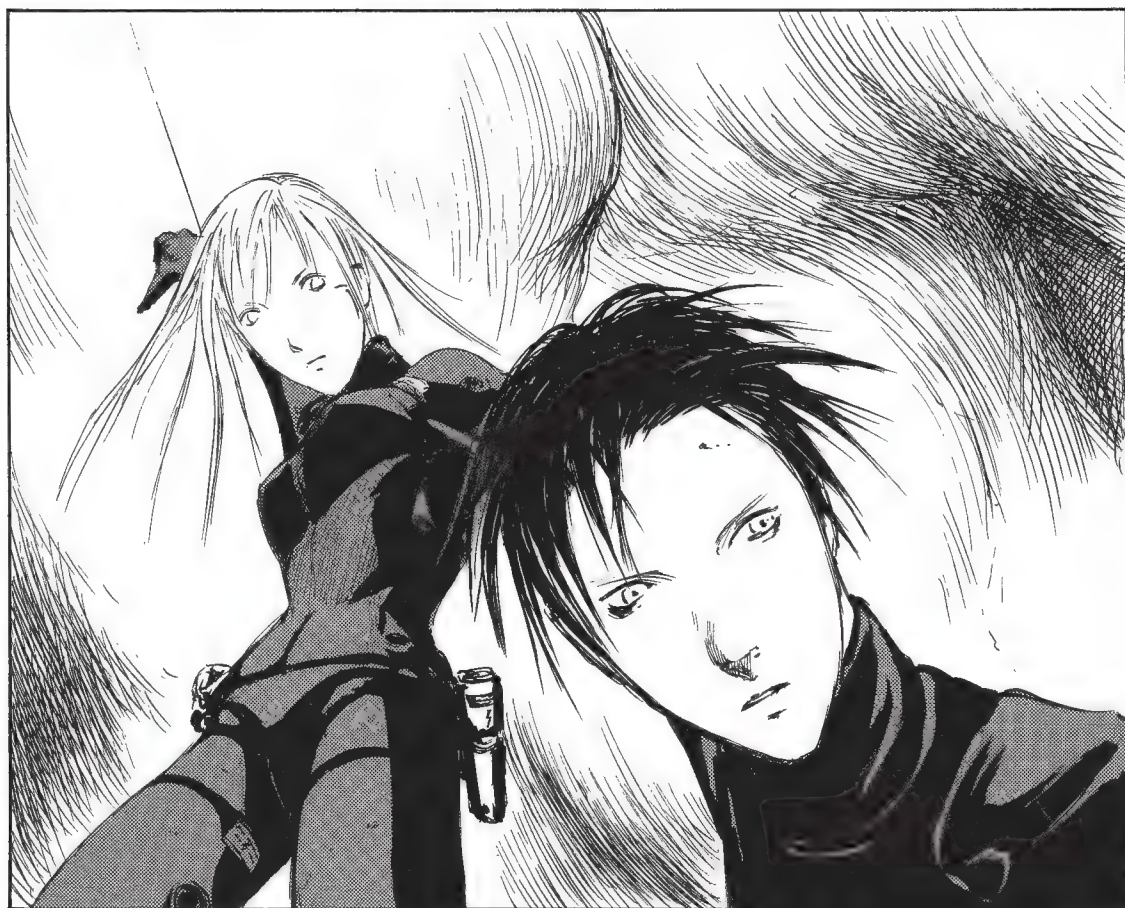
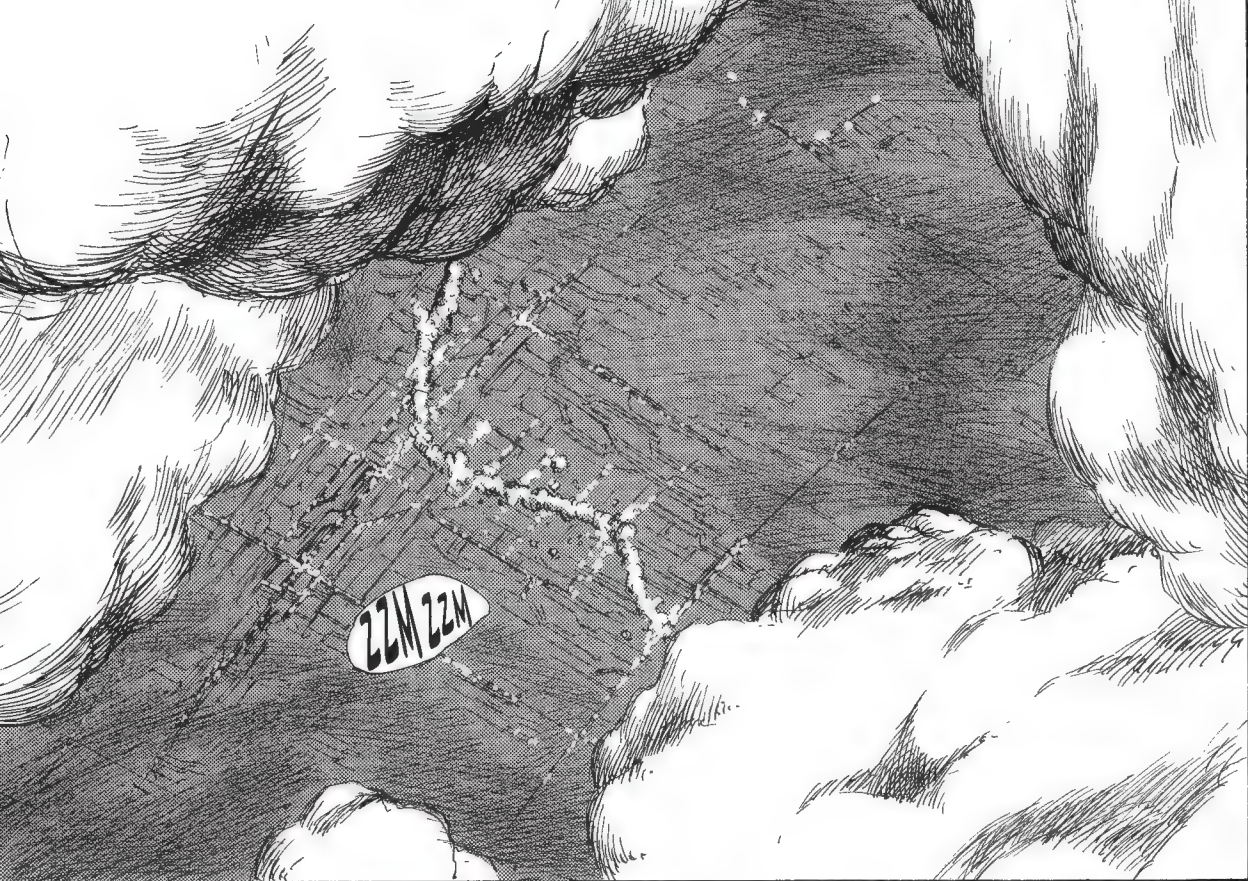




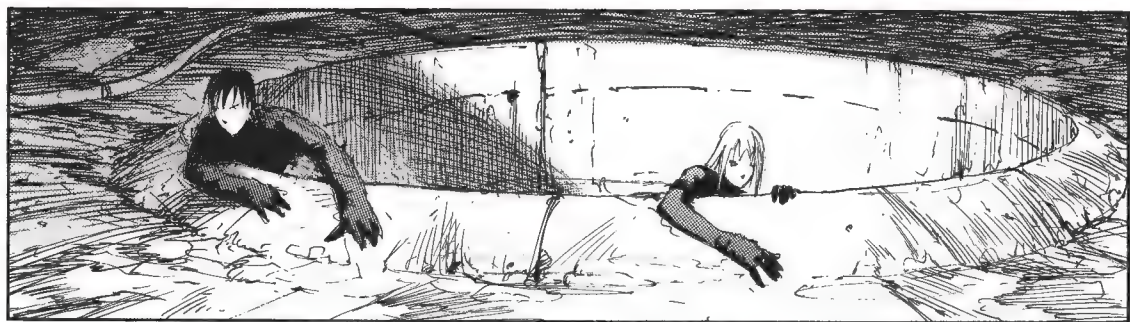
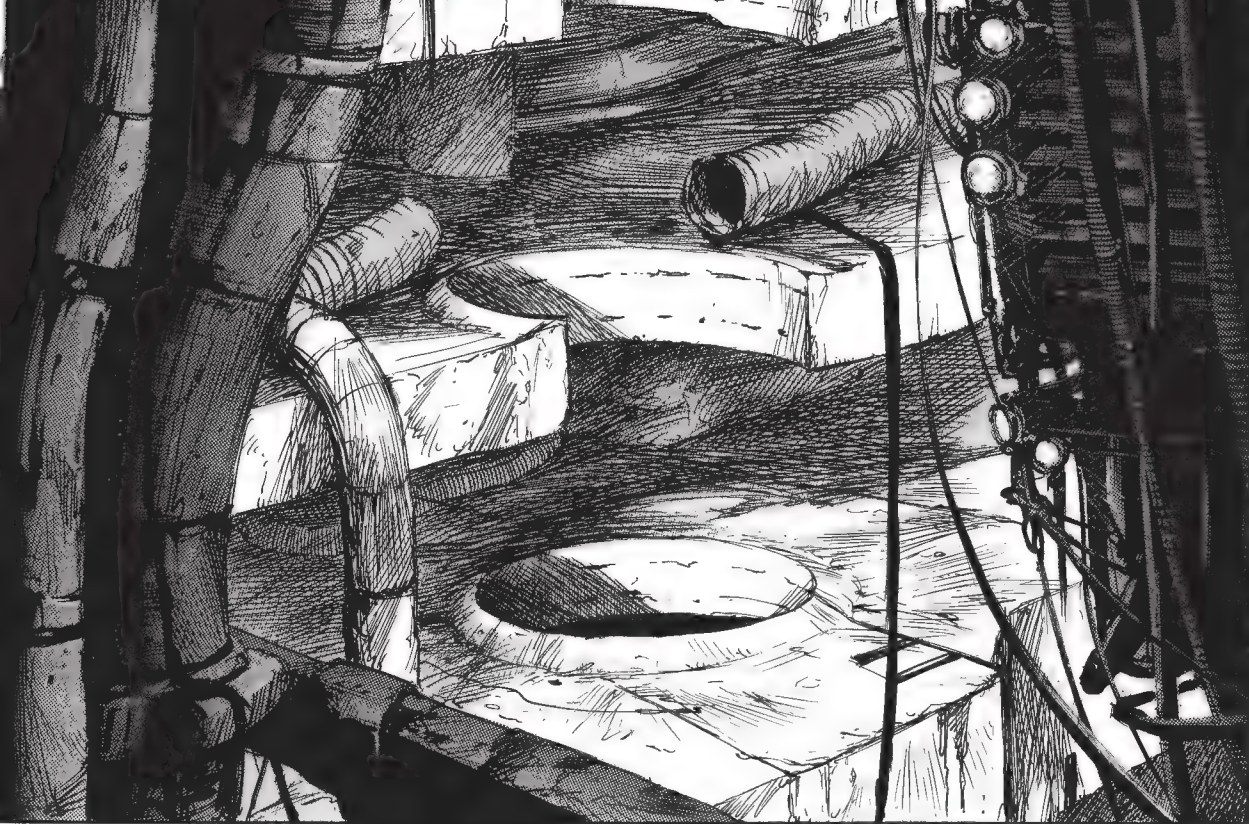


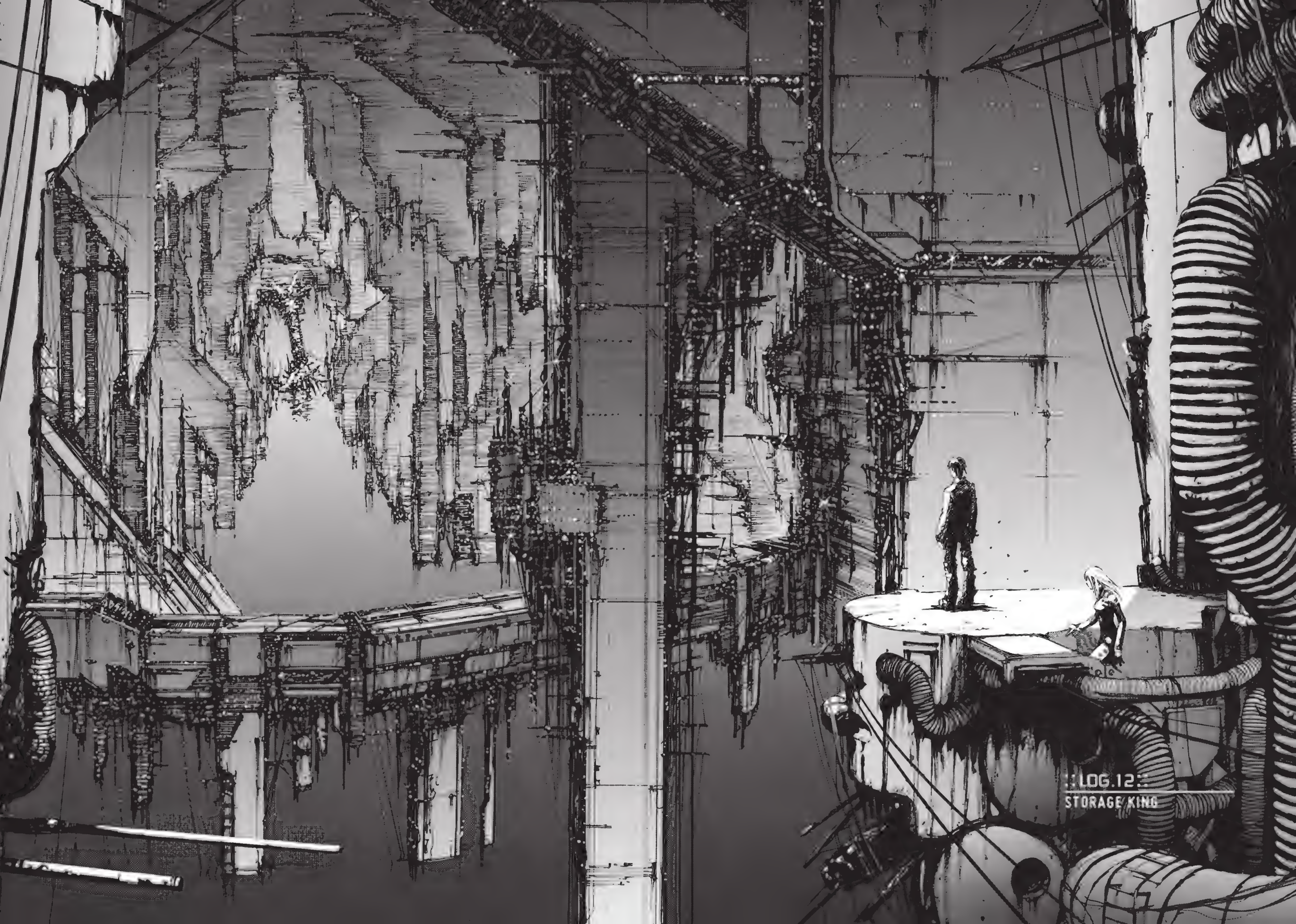




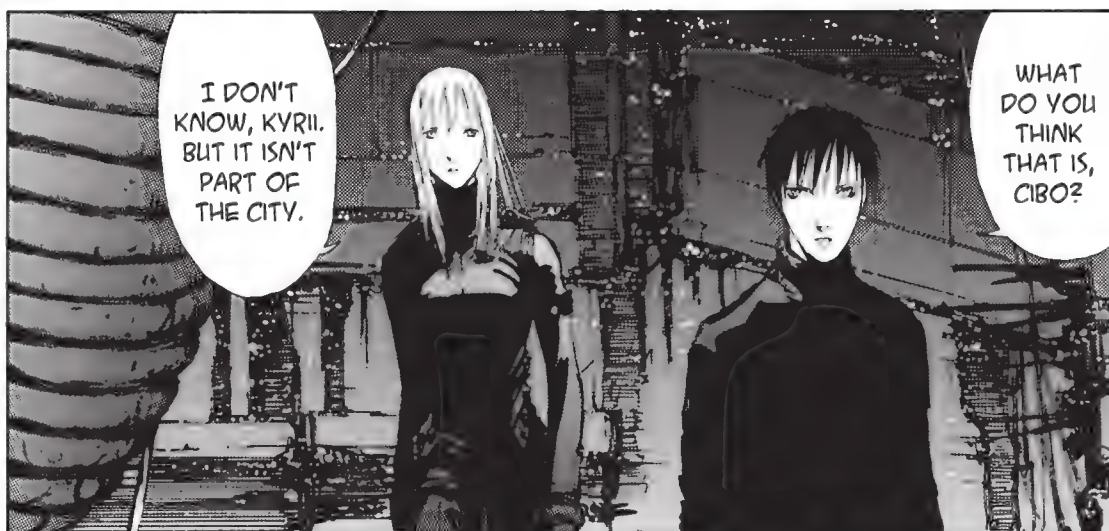






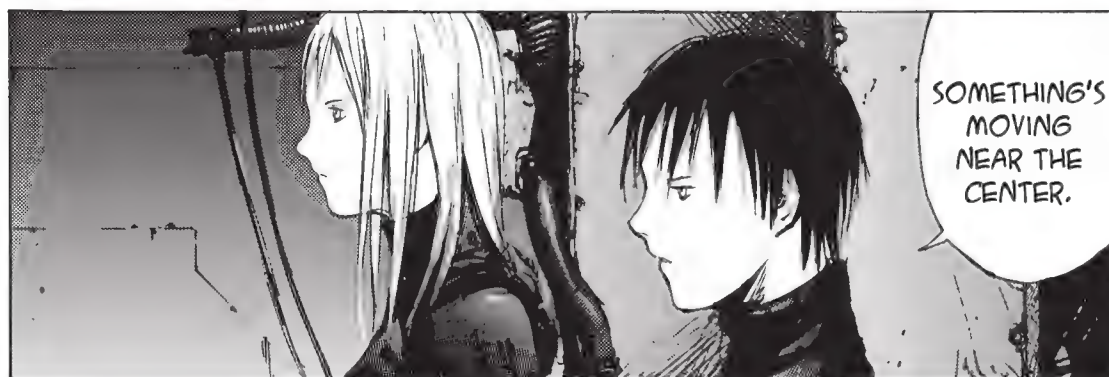
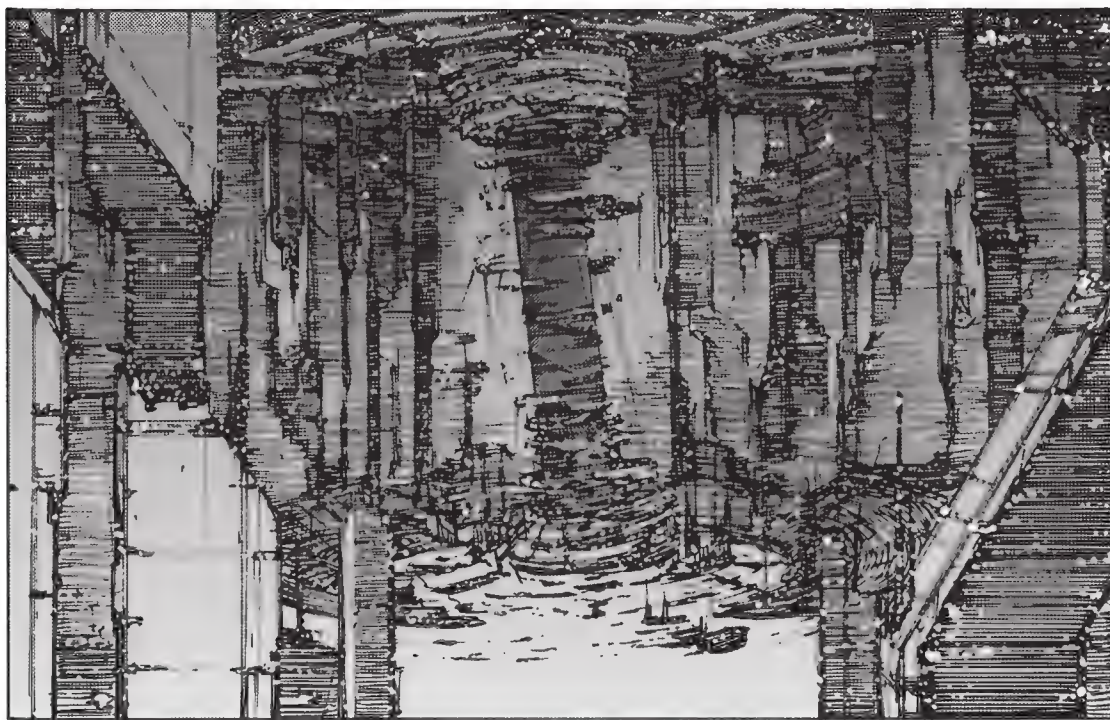


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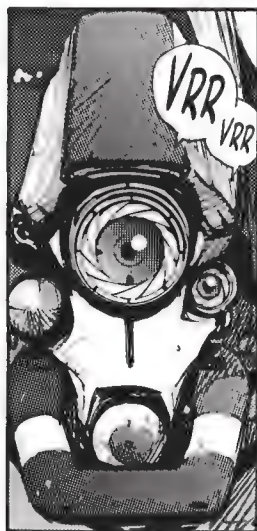
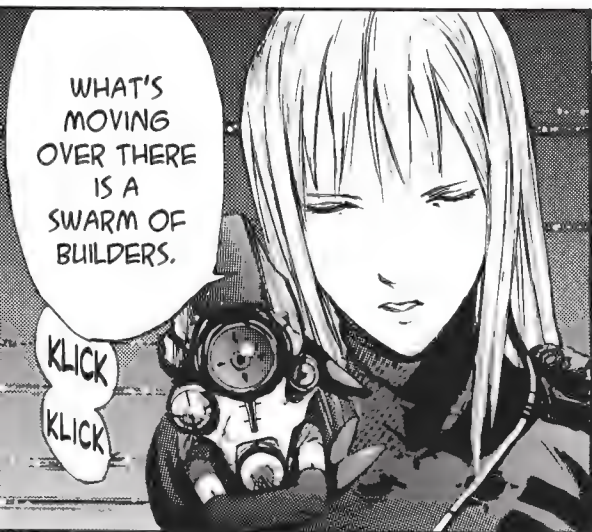
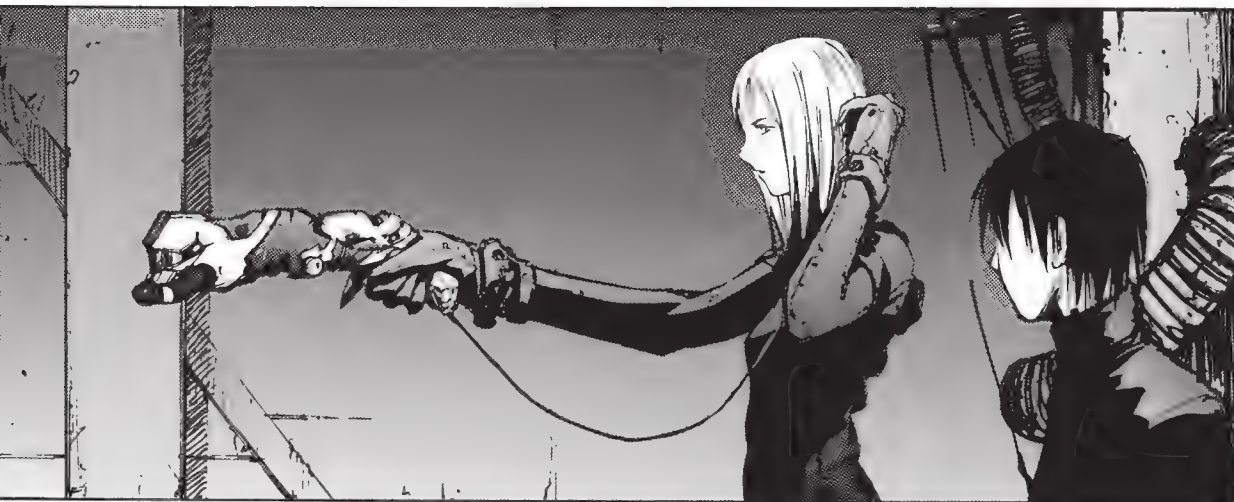
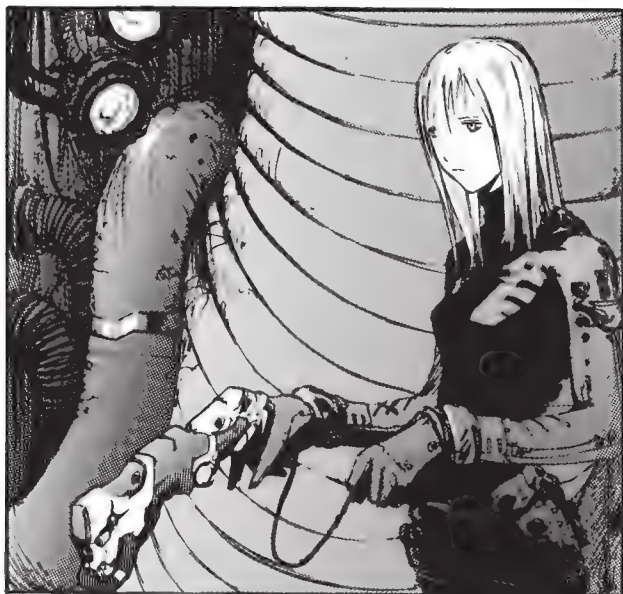


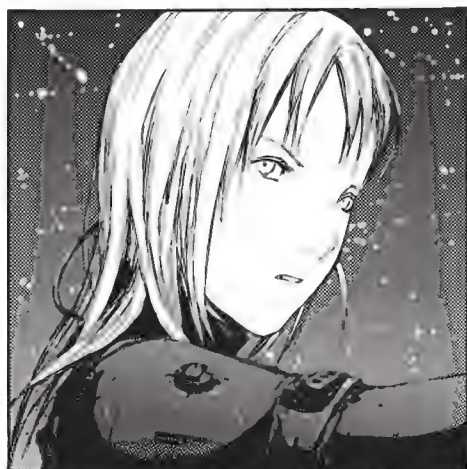
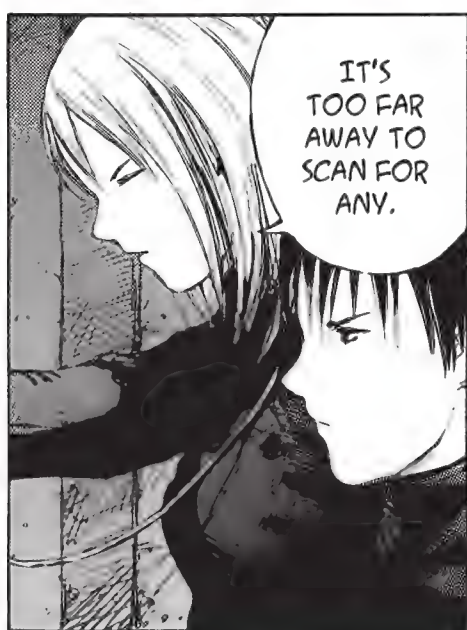
I DON'T
KNOW, KYRII.
BUT IT ISN'T
PART OF
THE CITY.

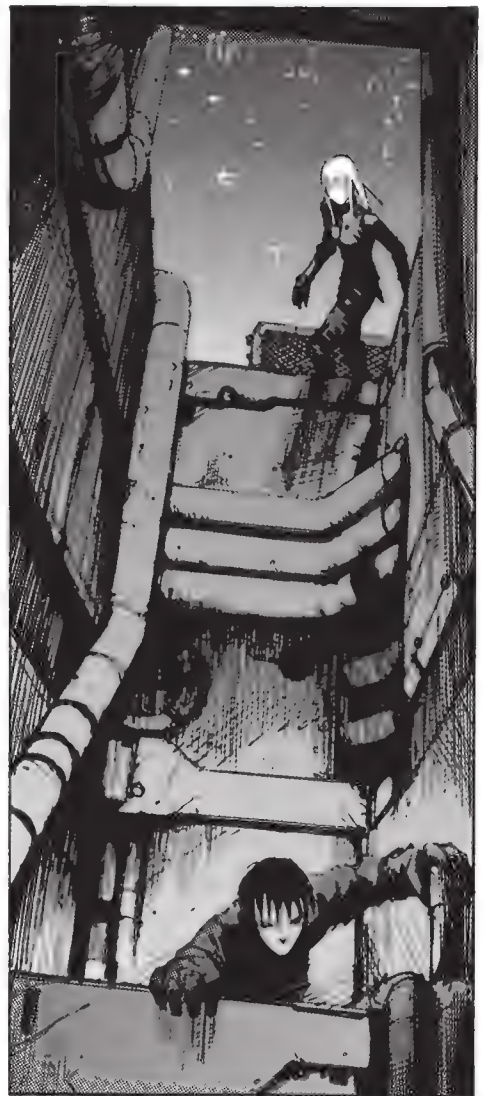
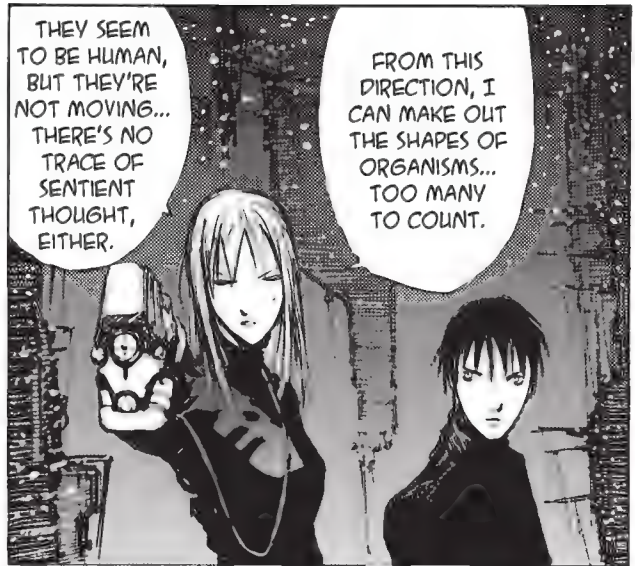
WHAT
DO YOU
THINK
THAT IS,
CIBO?

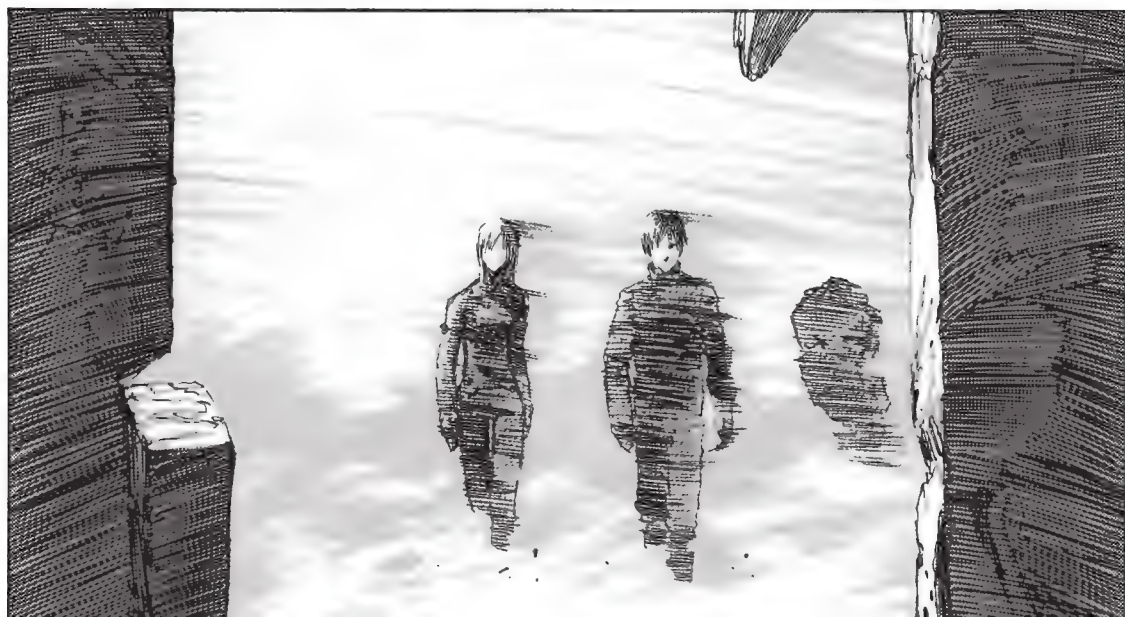
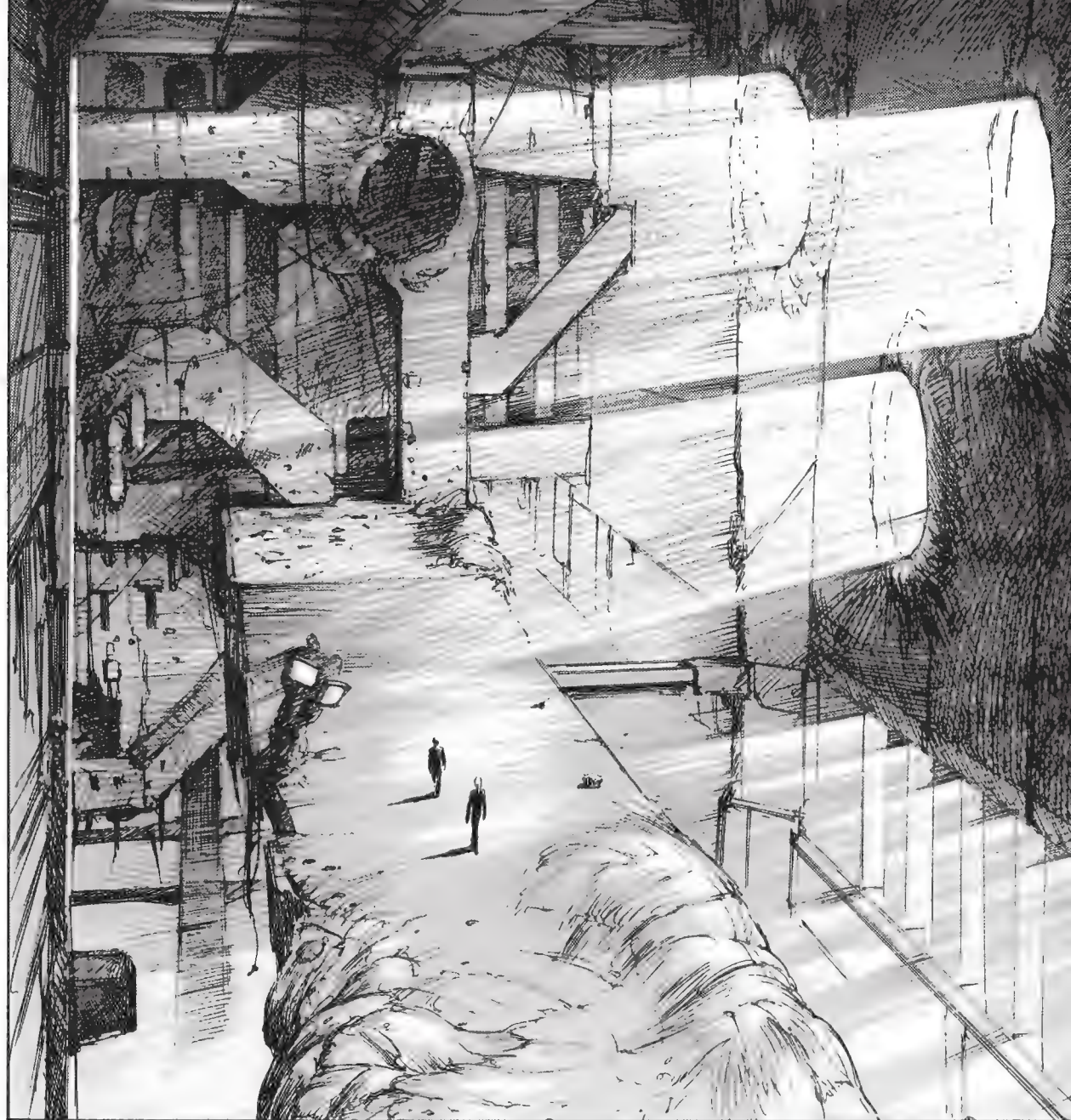


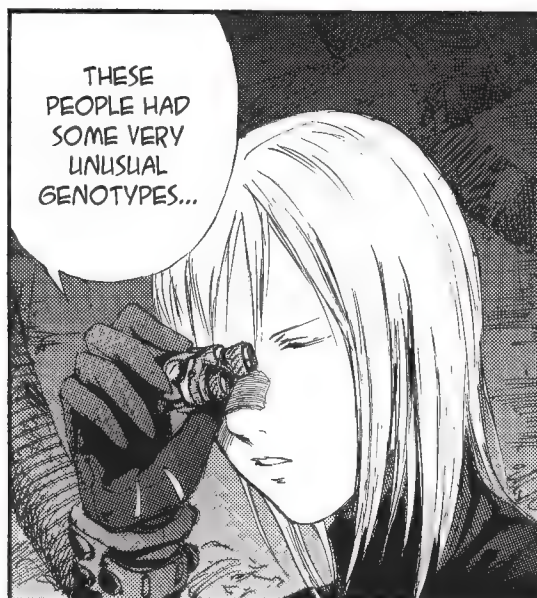
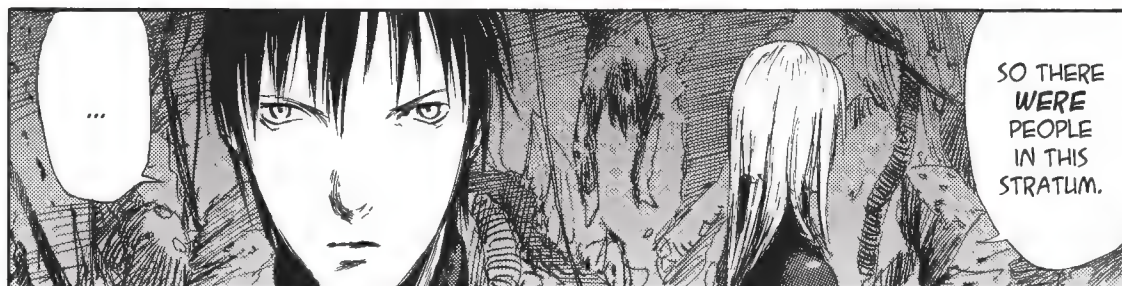
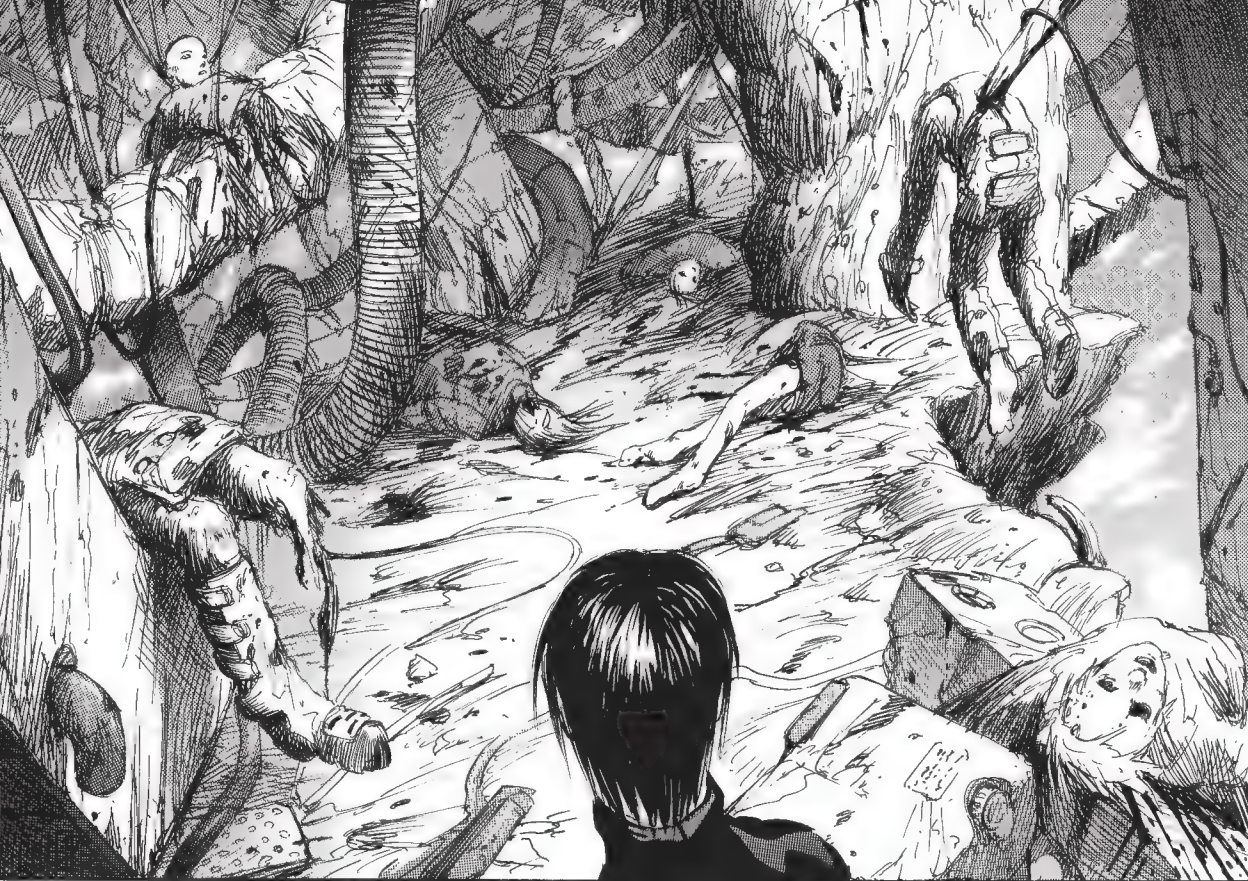
SOMETHING'S
MOVING
NEAR THE
CENTER.







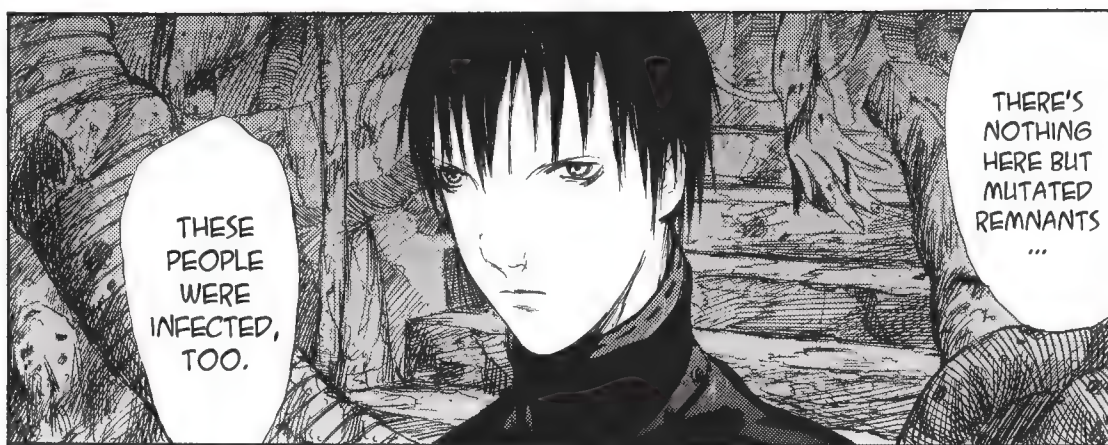






AS FOR
THE NET
TERMINAL
GENE...

IT LOOKS
LIKE THEIR
ANCESTORS
DIVERGED
FROM OURS A
LONG TIME
AGO.

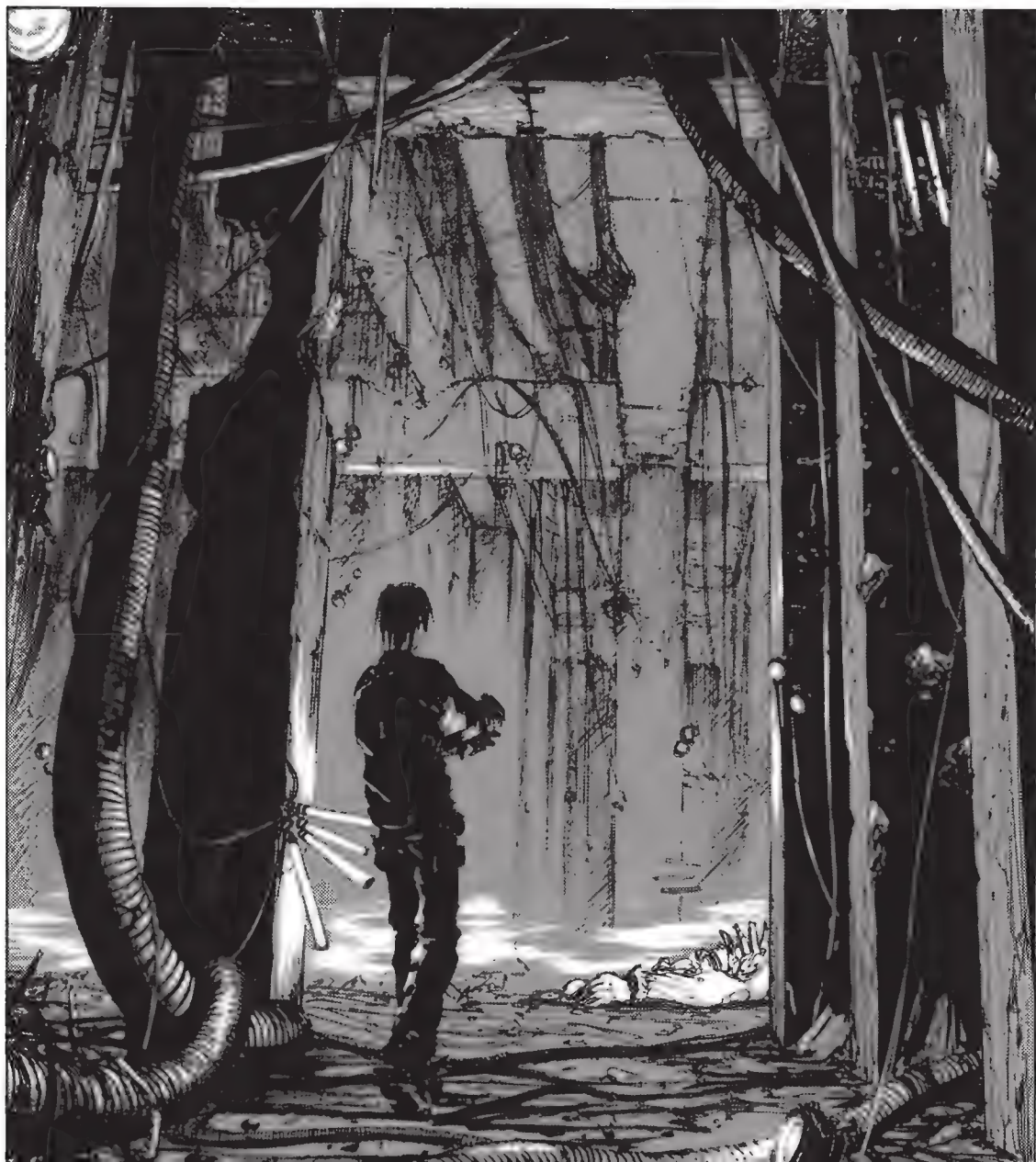
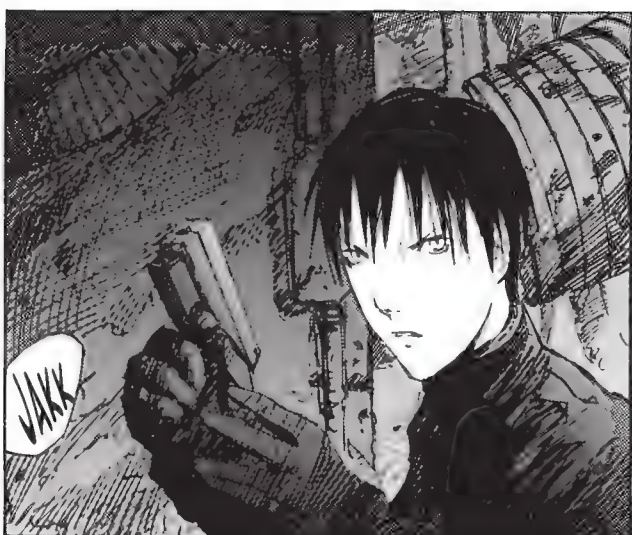
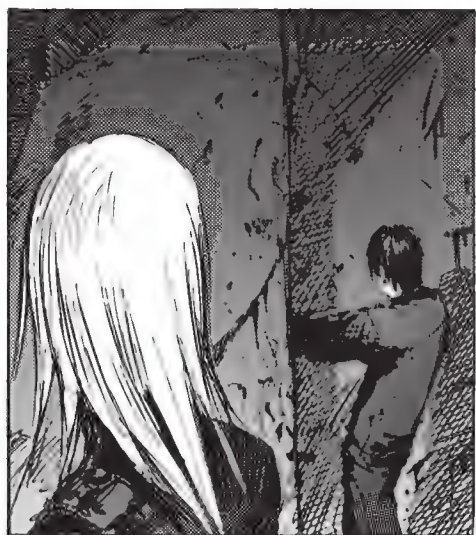


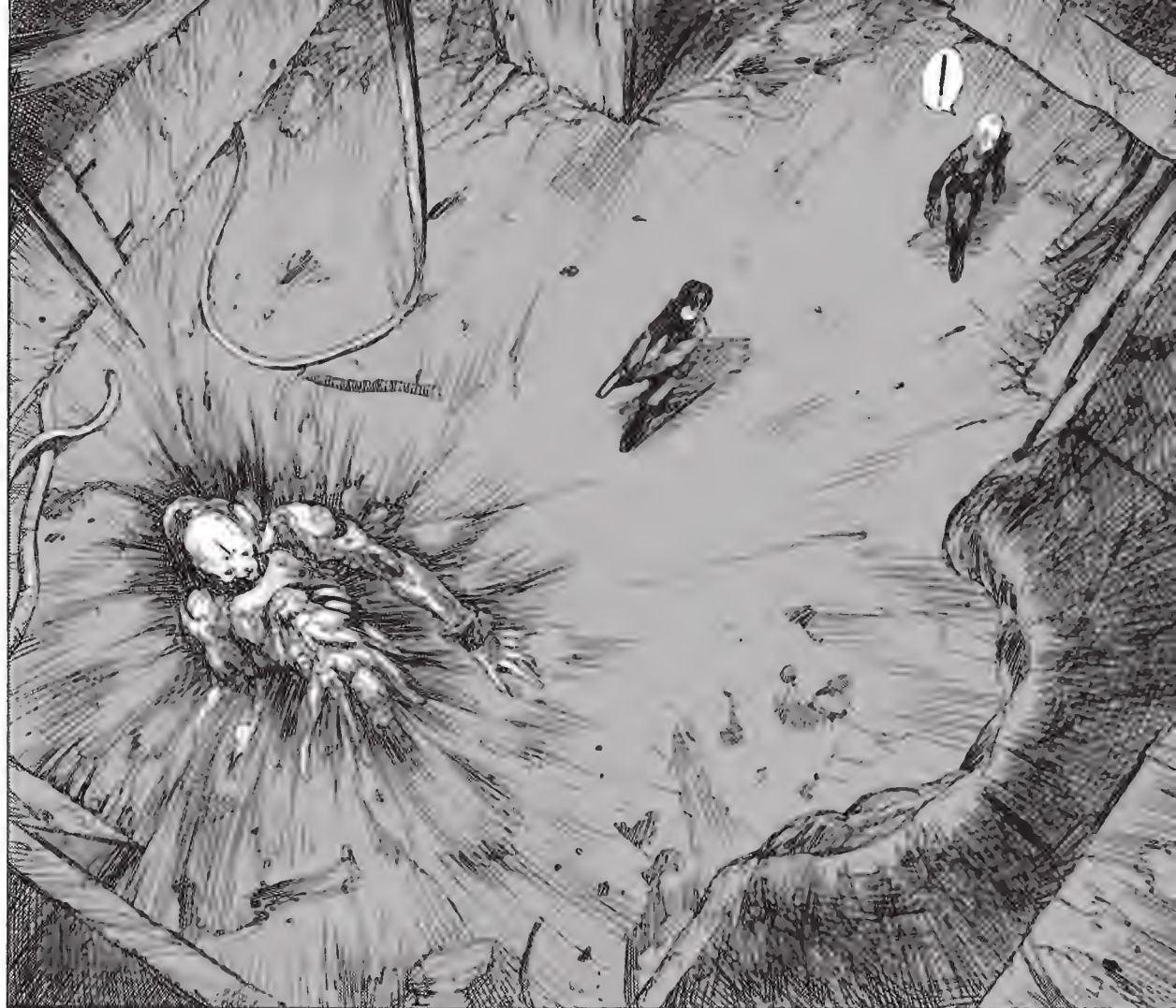
THESE
PEOPLE
WERE
INFECTED,
TOO.

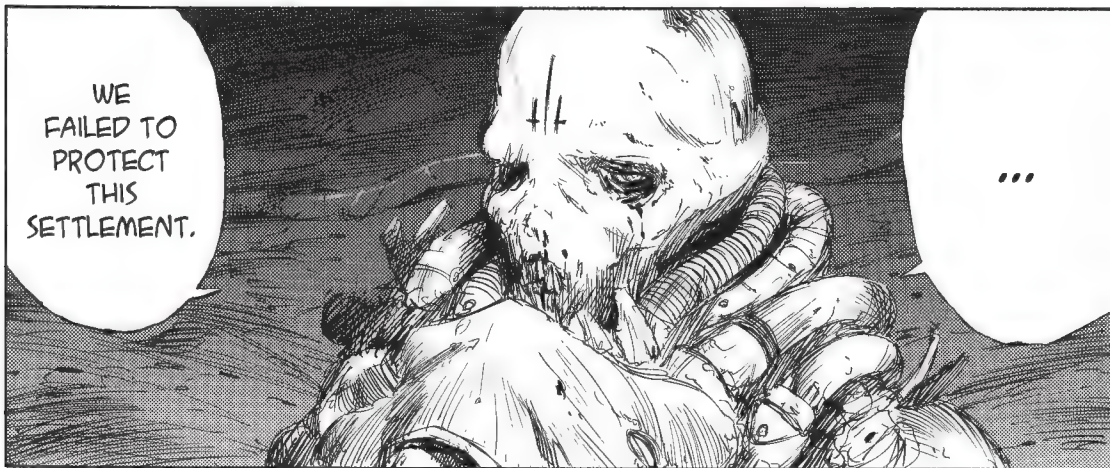
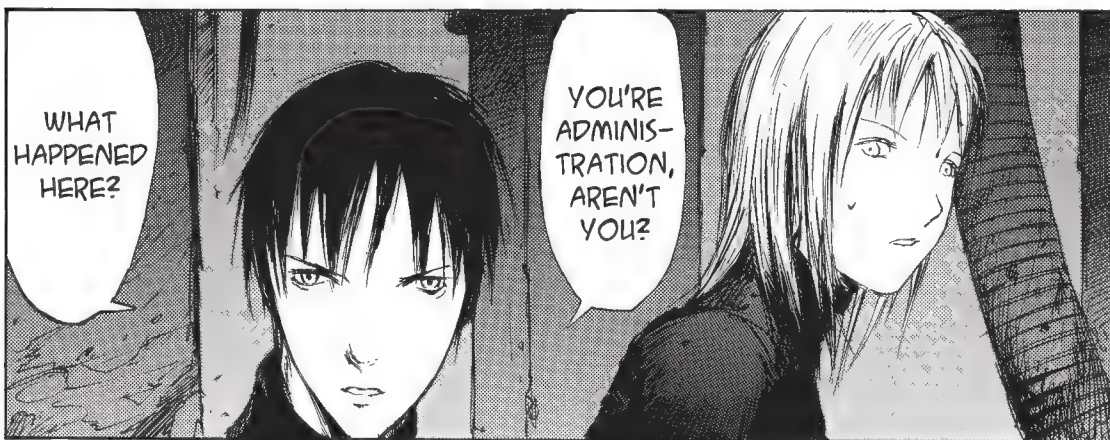
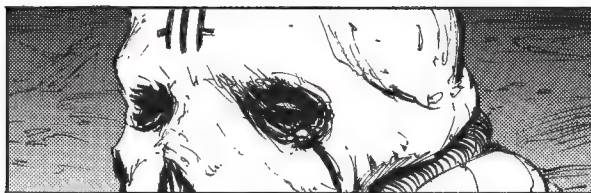
THERE'S
NOTHING
HERE BUT
MUTATED
REMNANTS
...

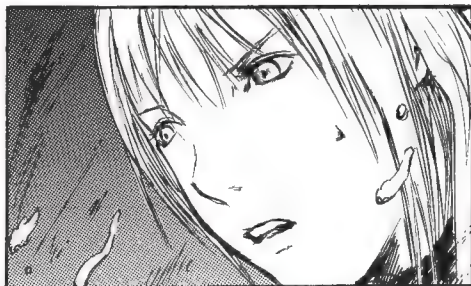


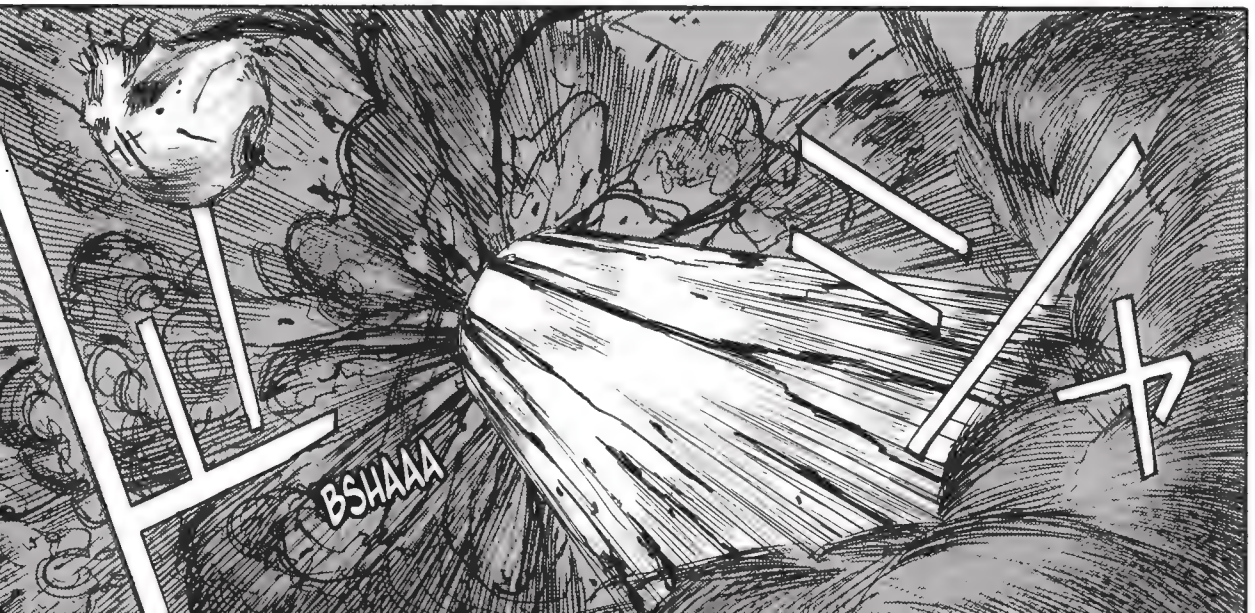
THEIR
LANGUAGE MATRIX IS
ESSENTIALLY THE SAME
AS OURS. WE SHOULD BE
ABLE TO COMMUNICATE
WITH THEM.

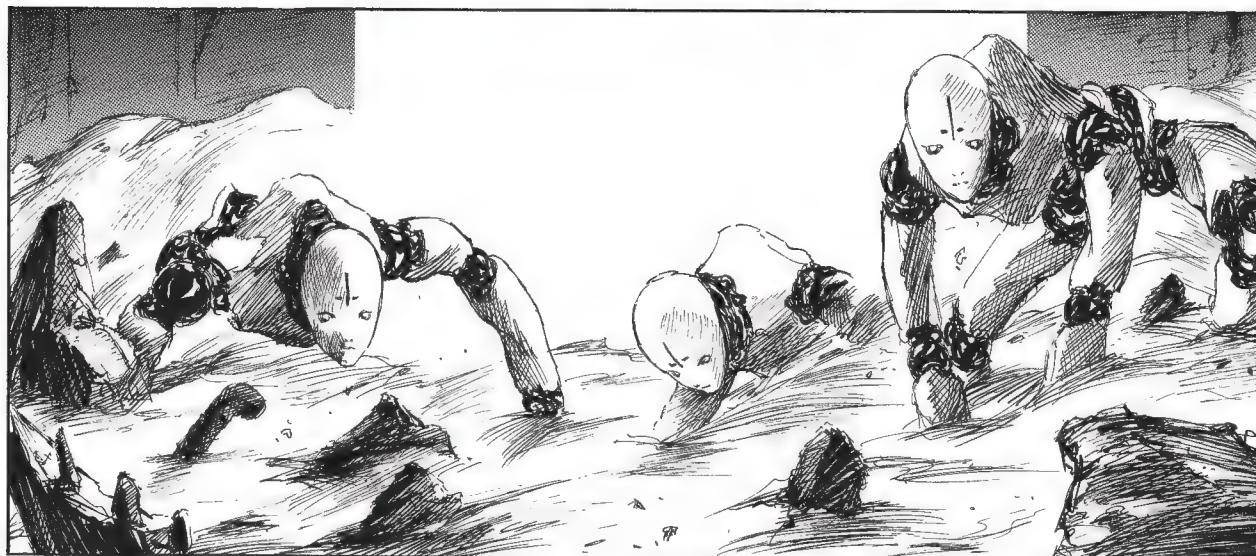
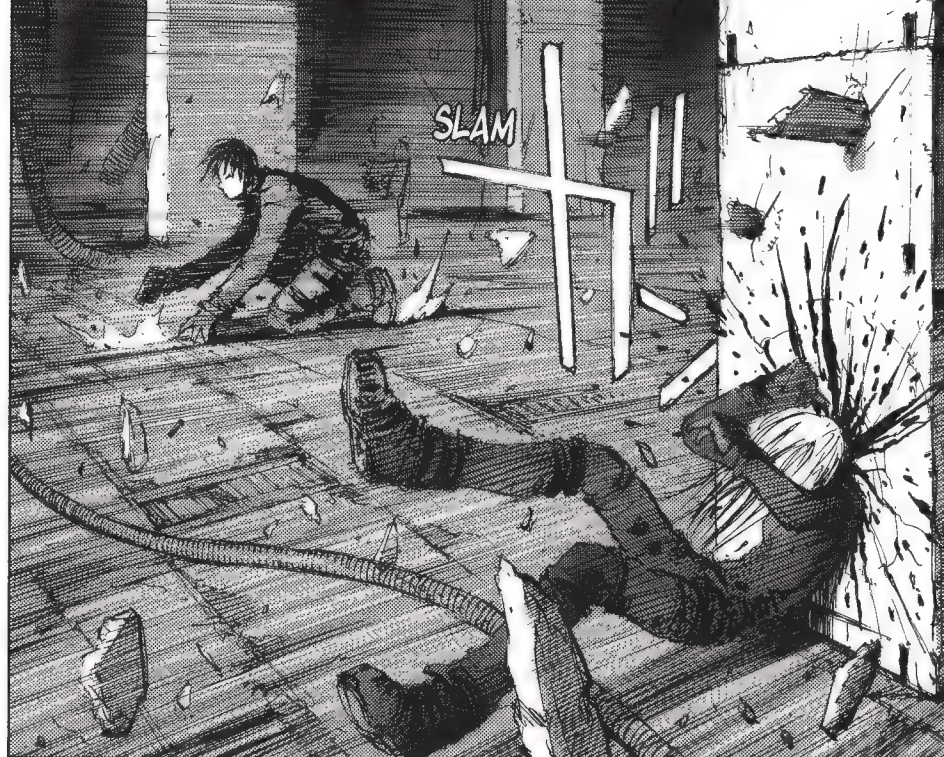


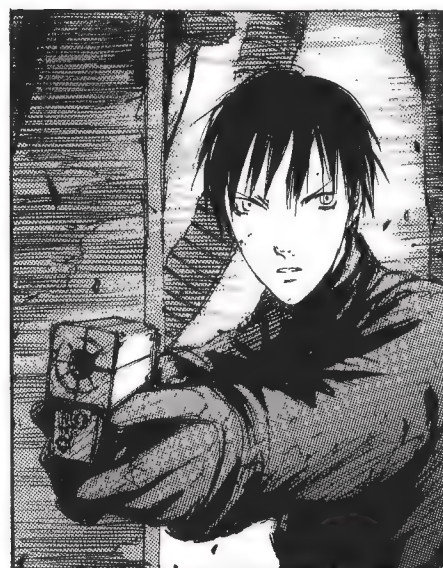


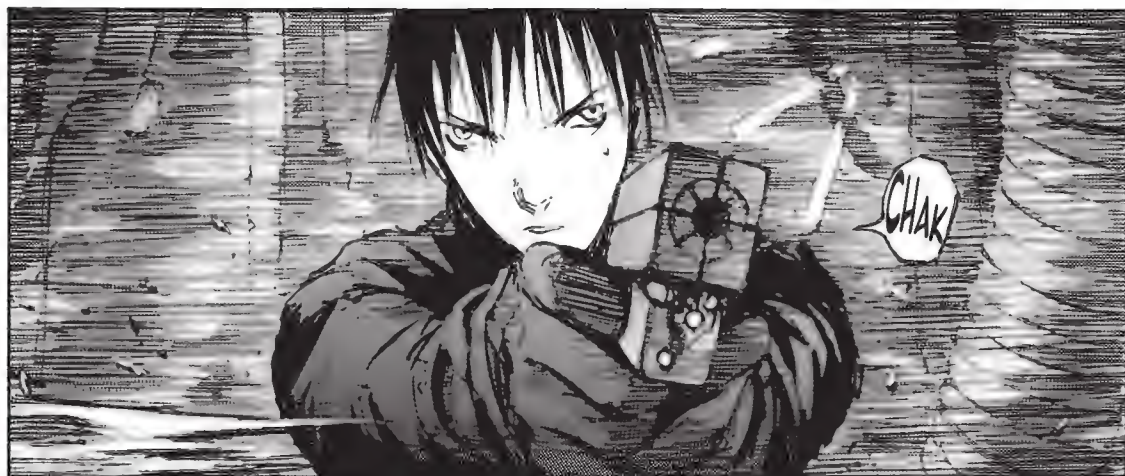


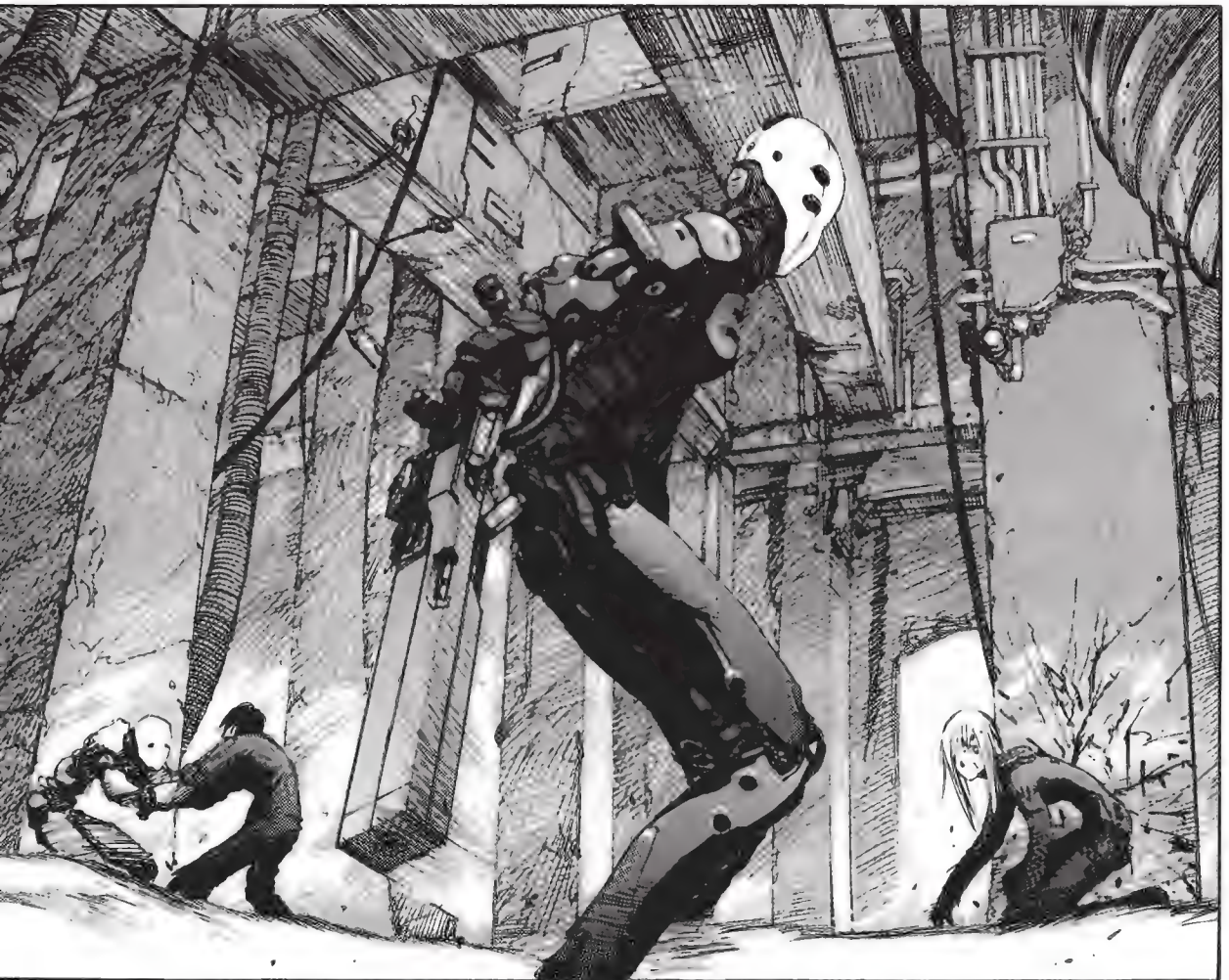
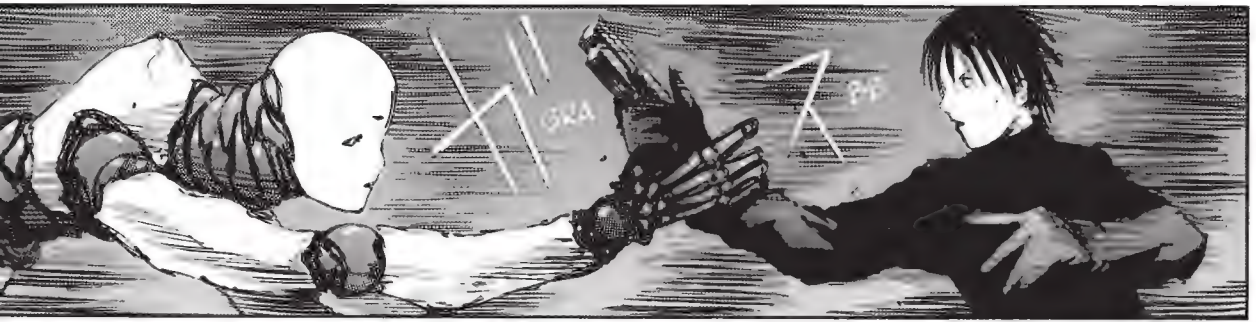
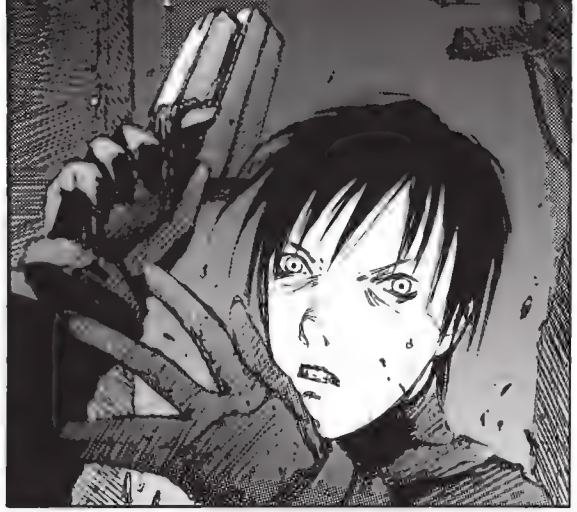
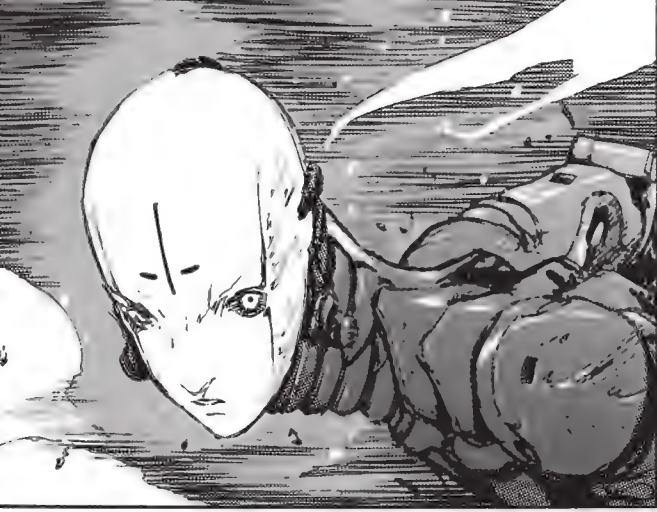


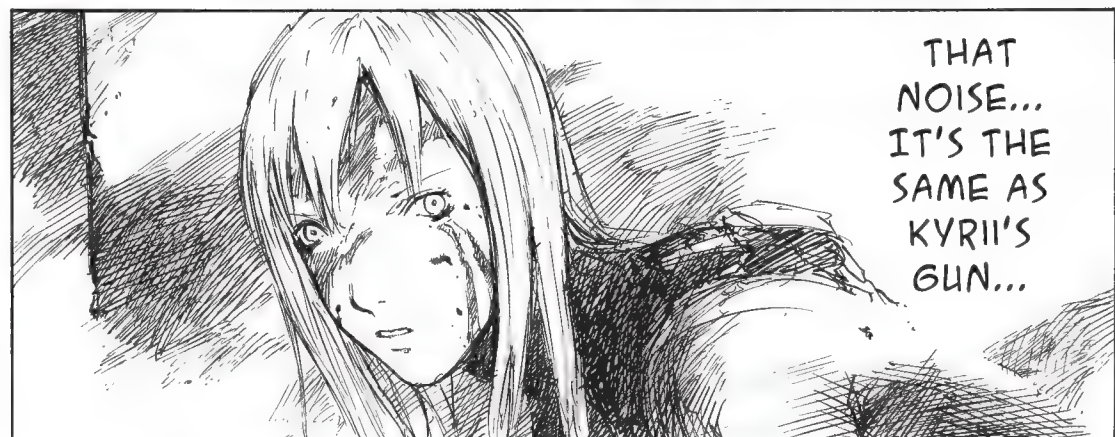
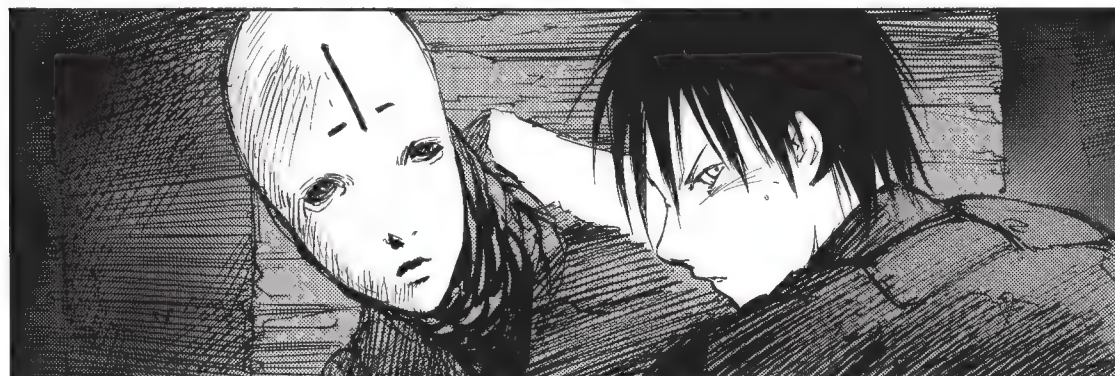
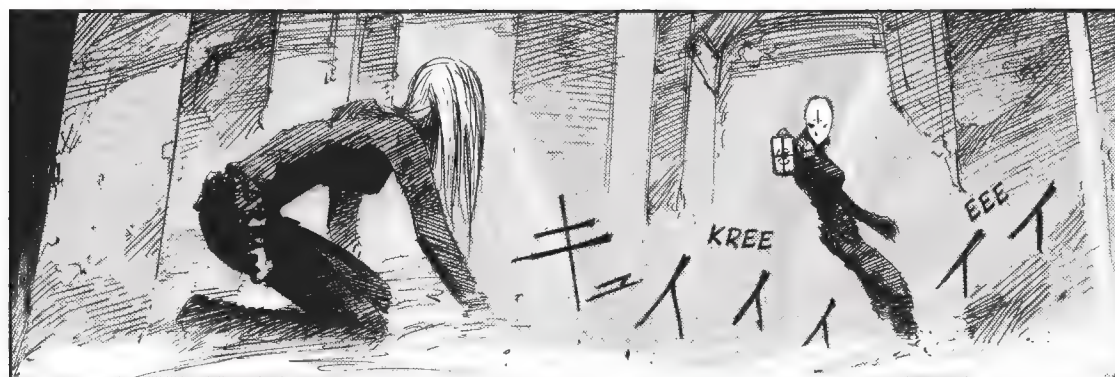
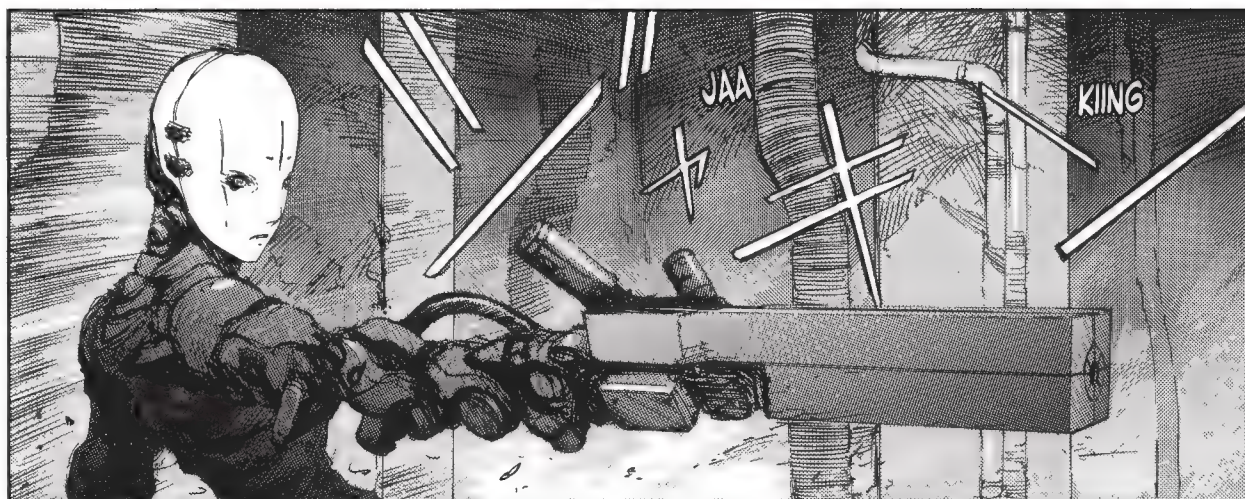




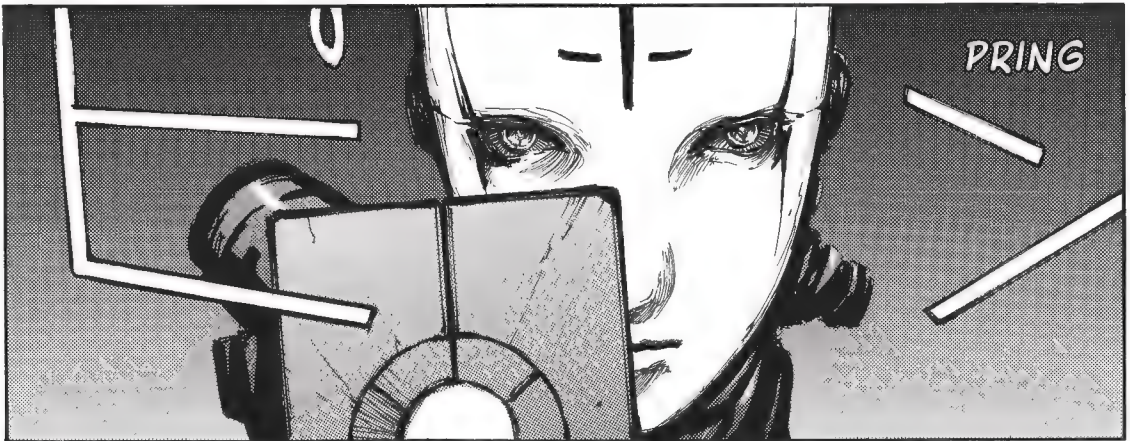


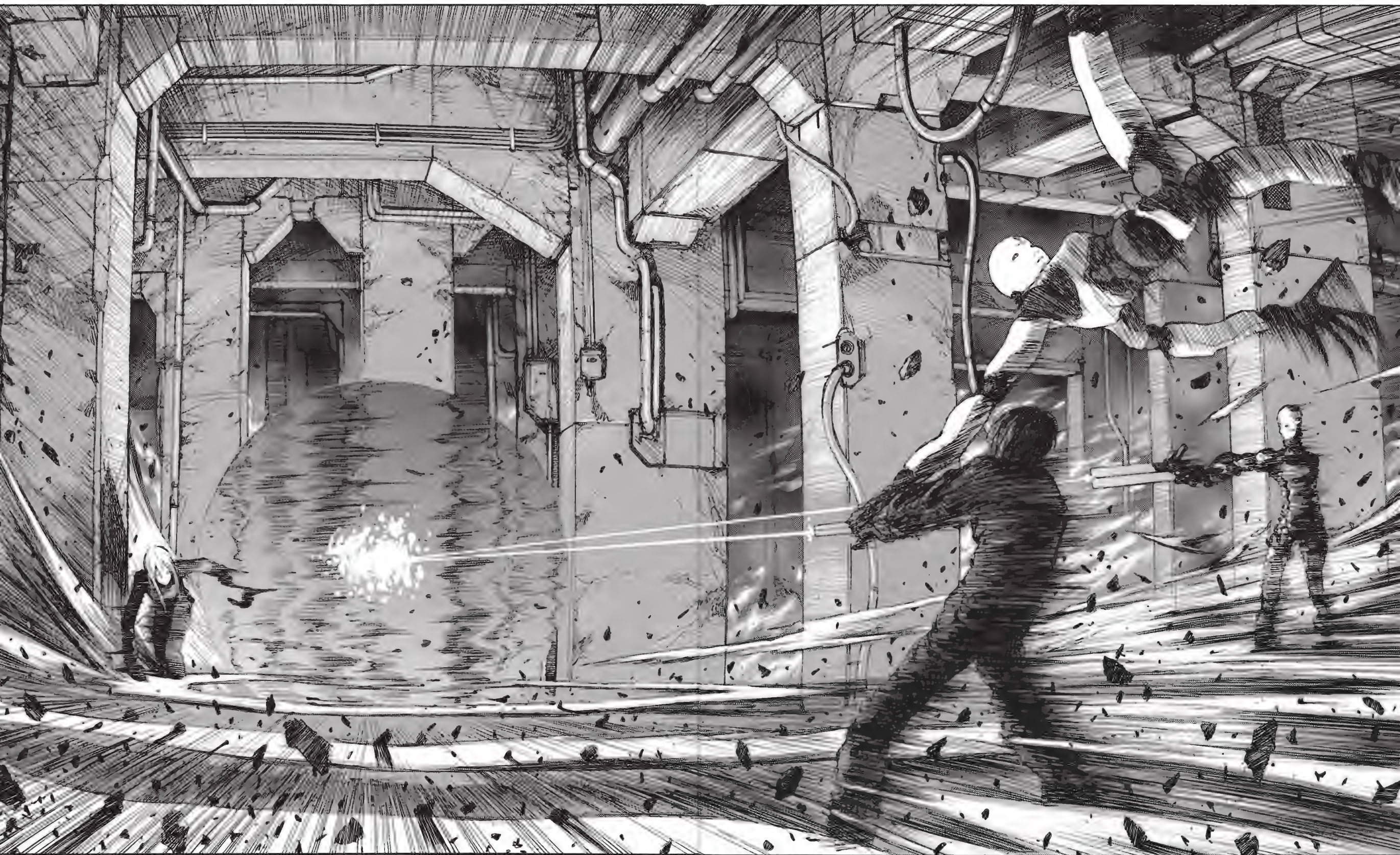


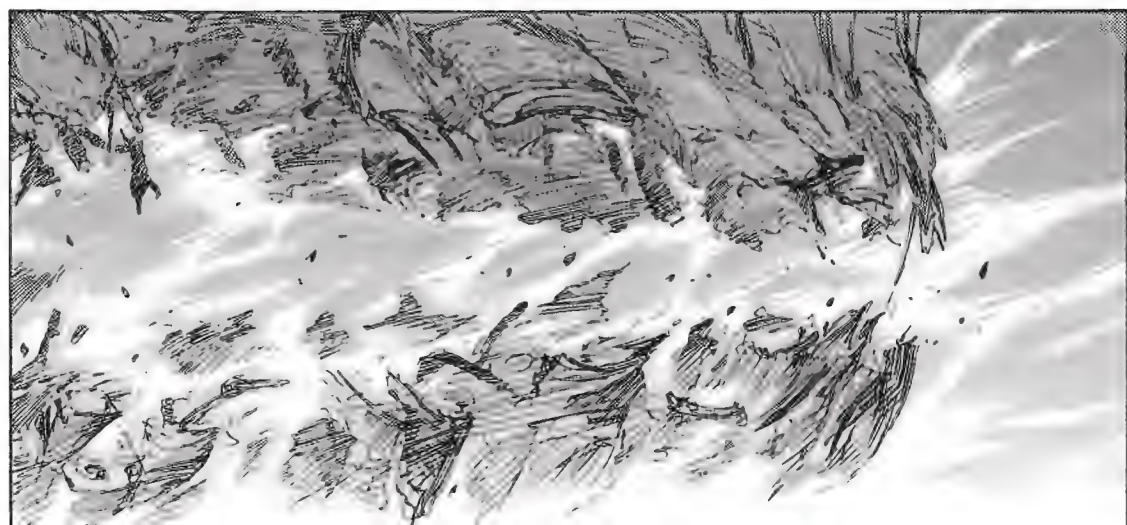
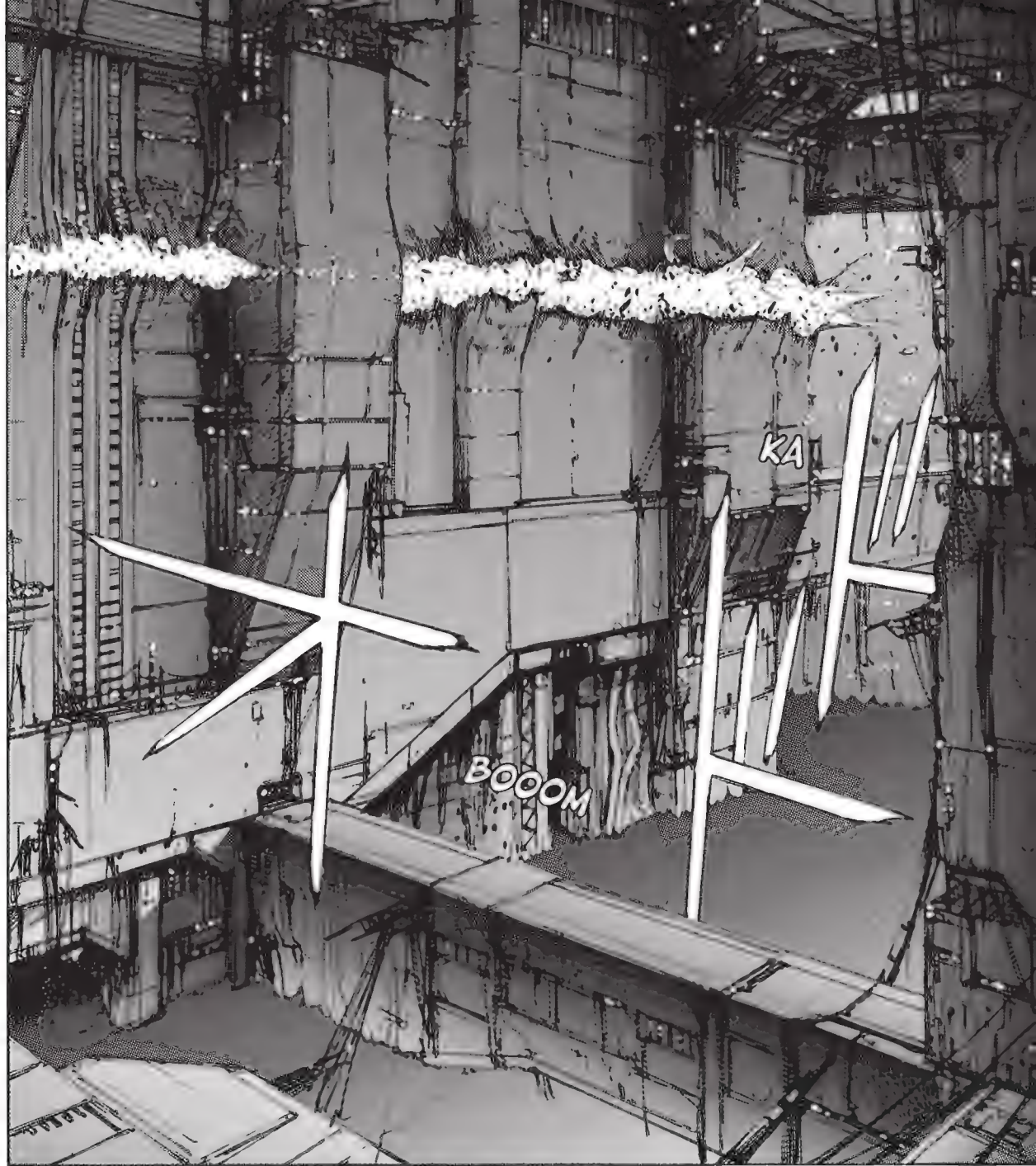


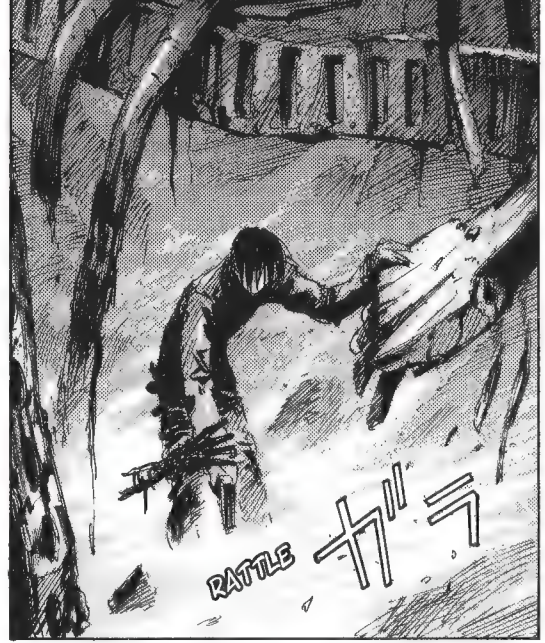


THAT
NOISE...
IT'S THE
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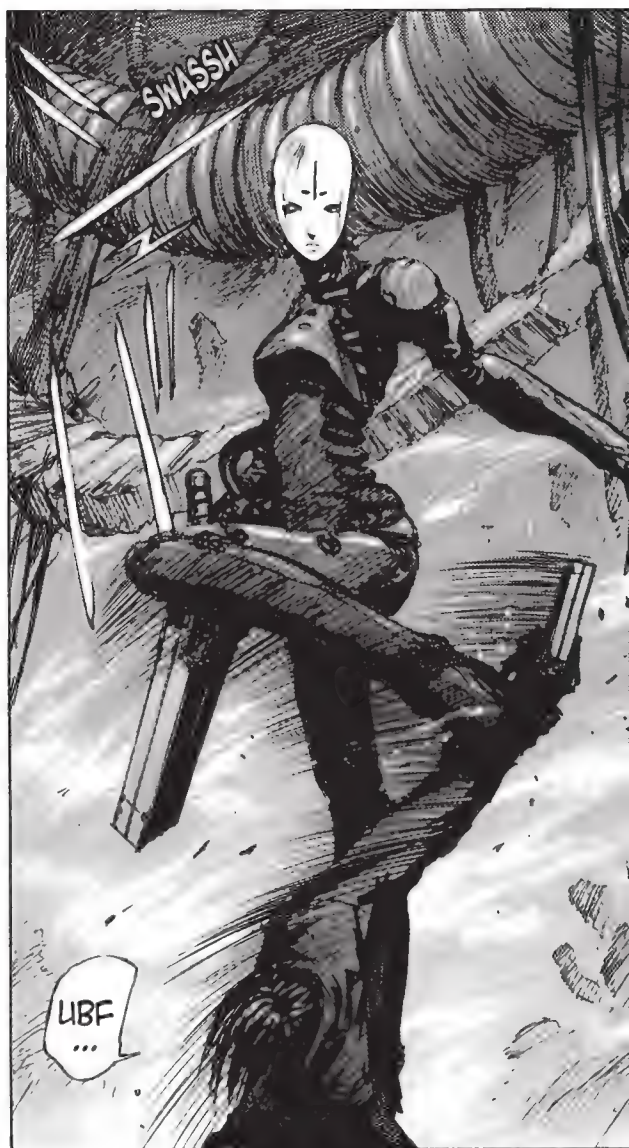


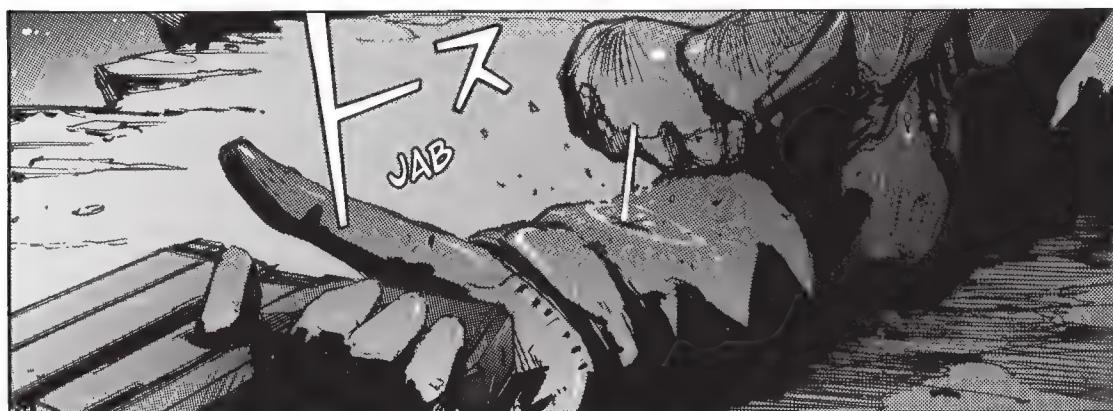


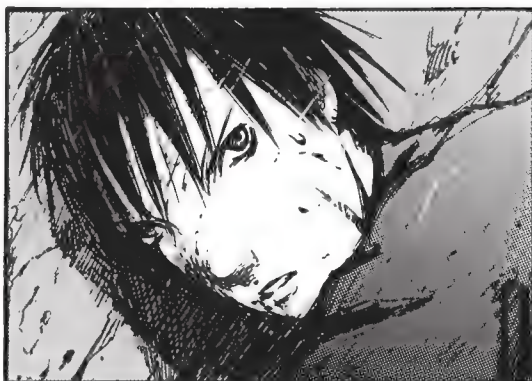
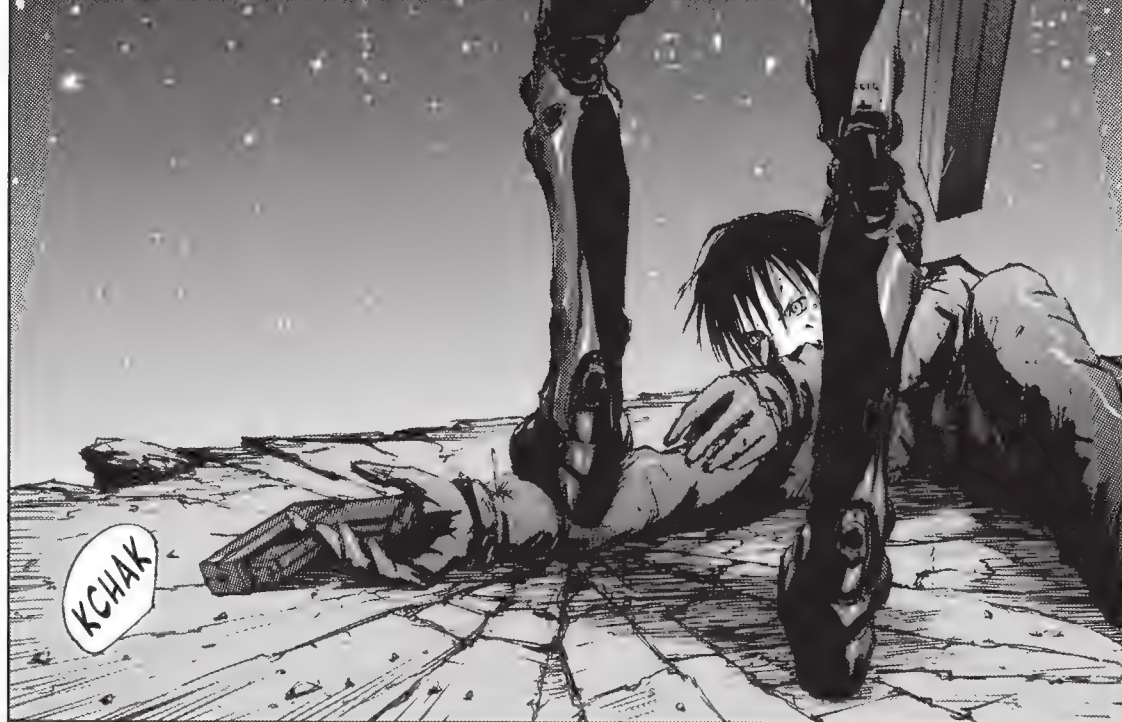


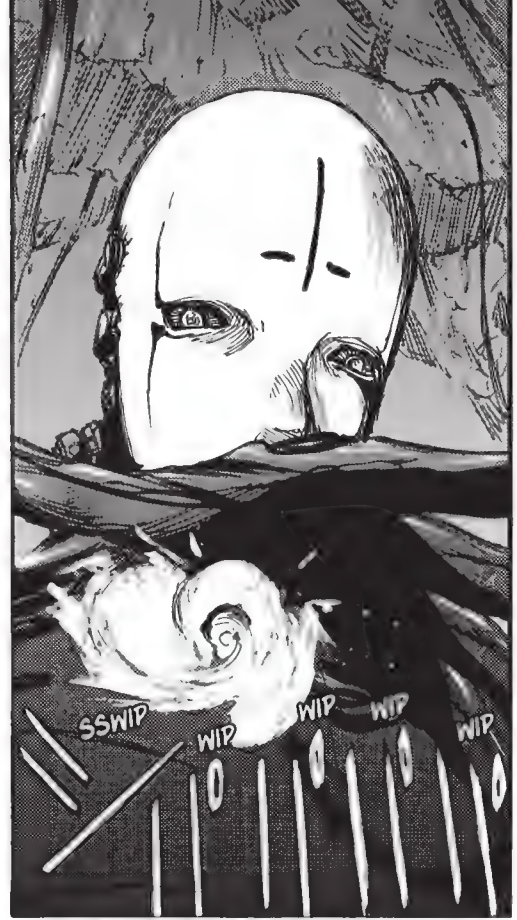
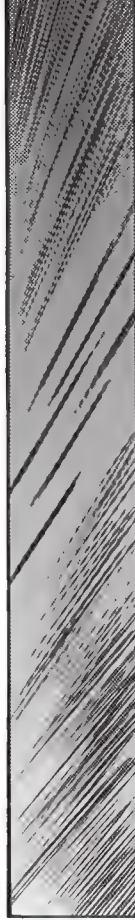


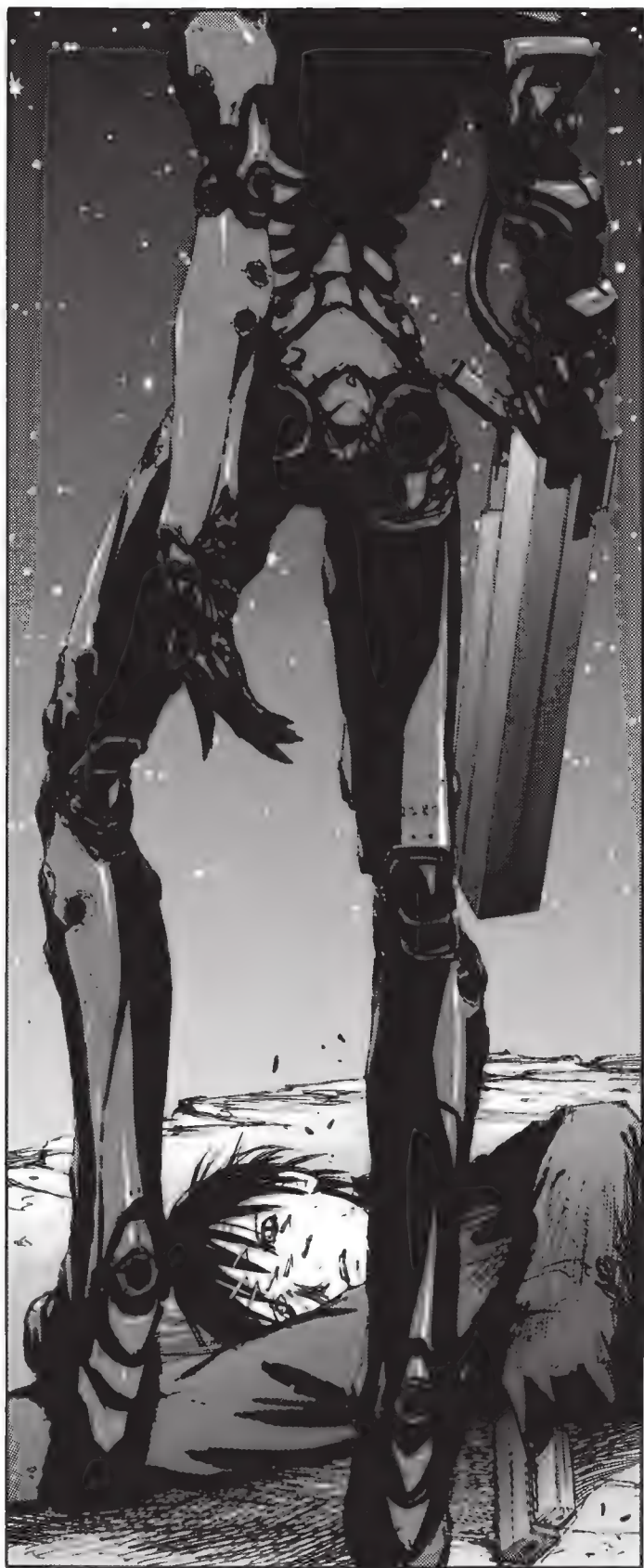
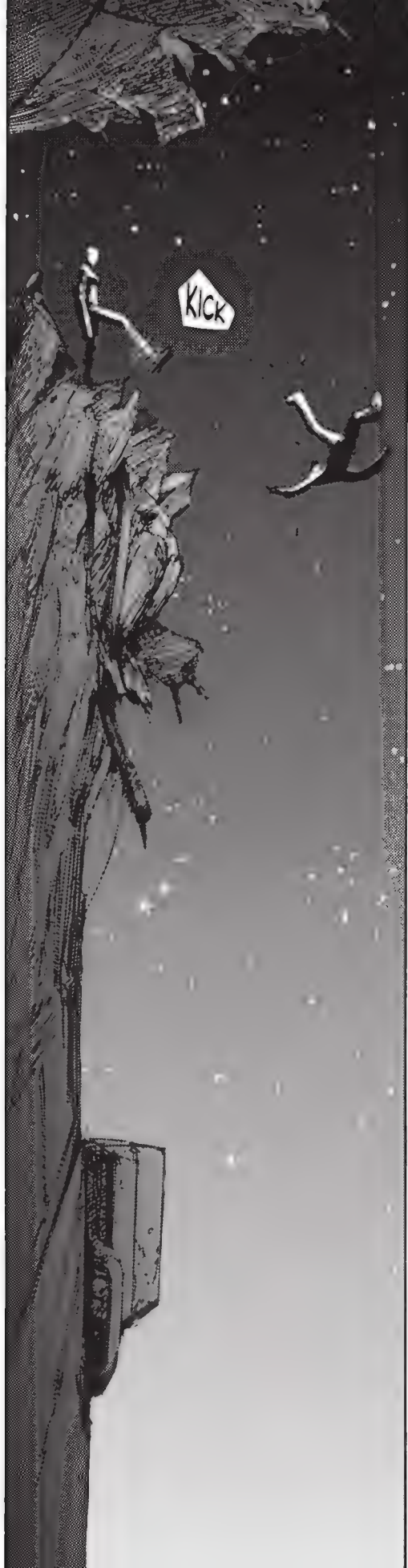


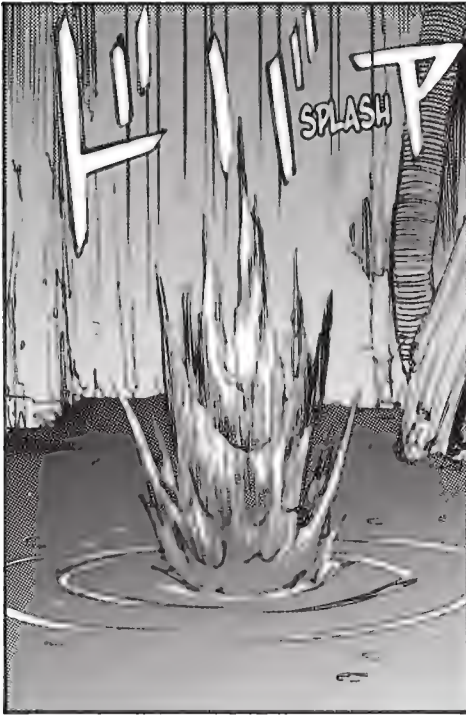


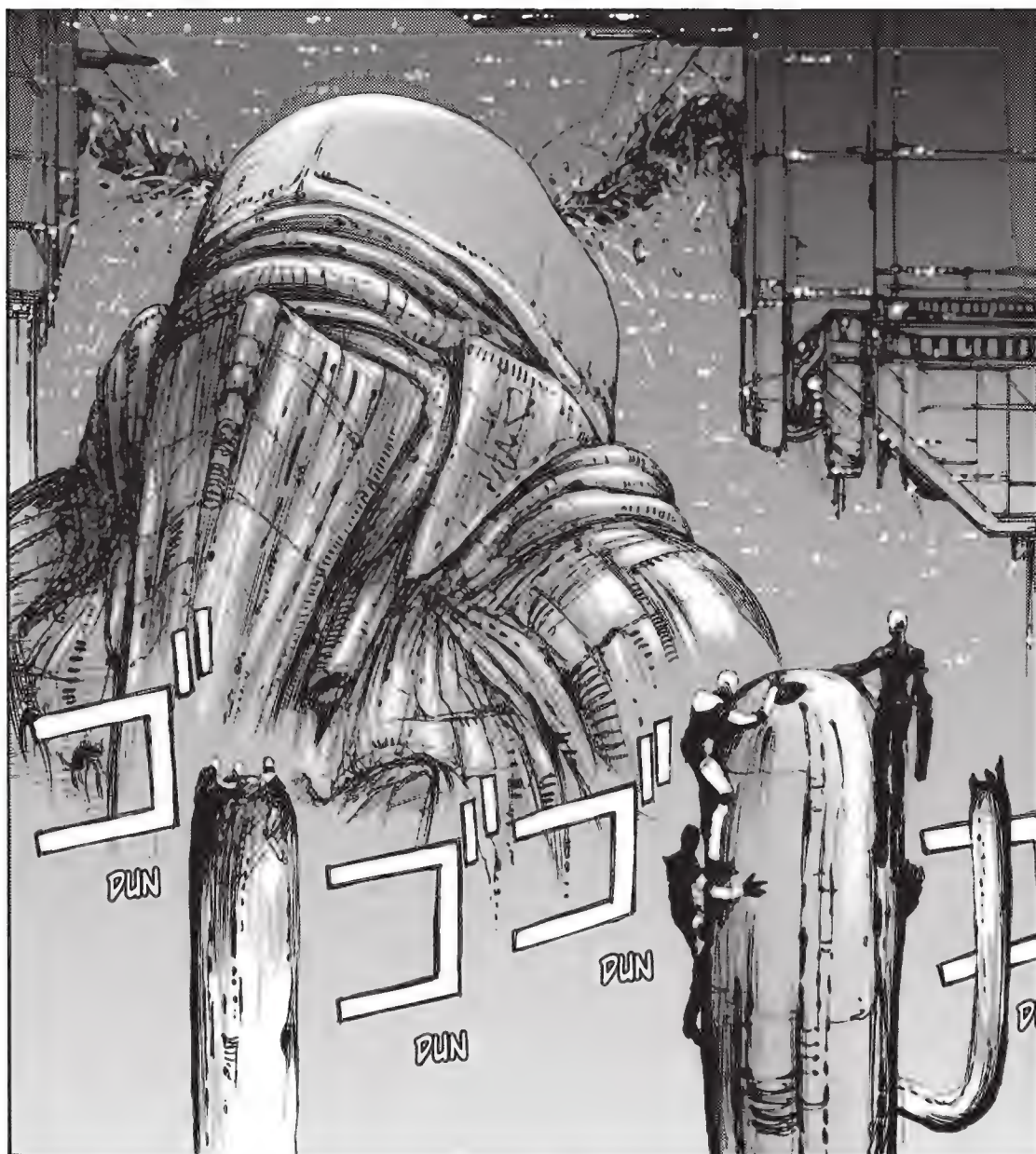


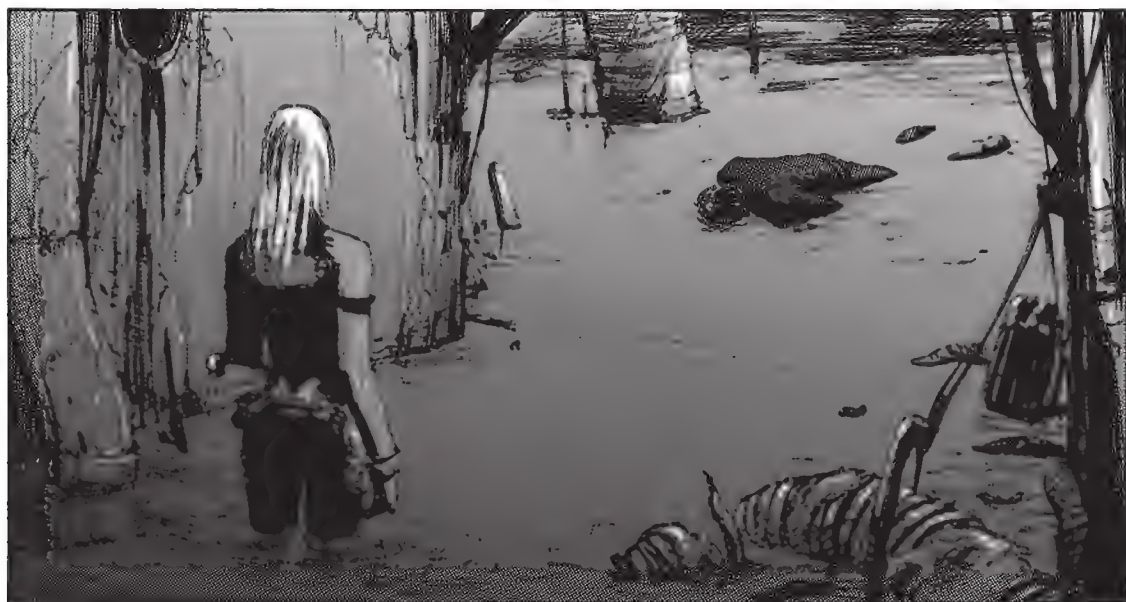


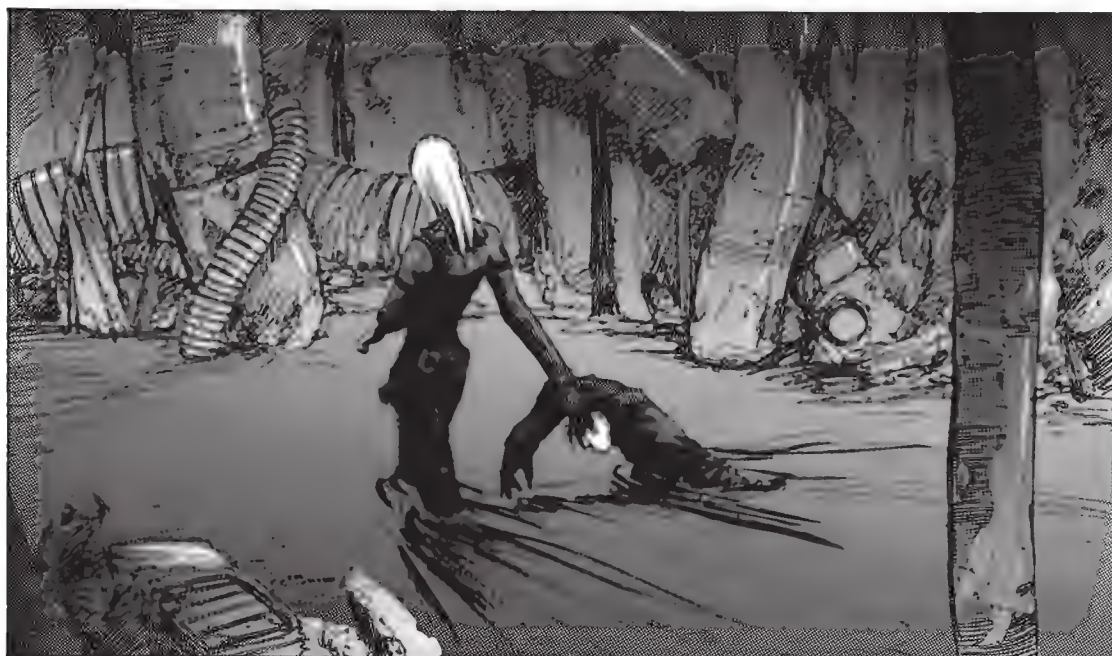


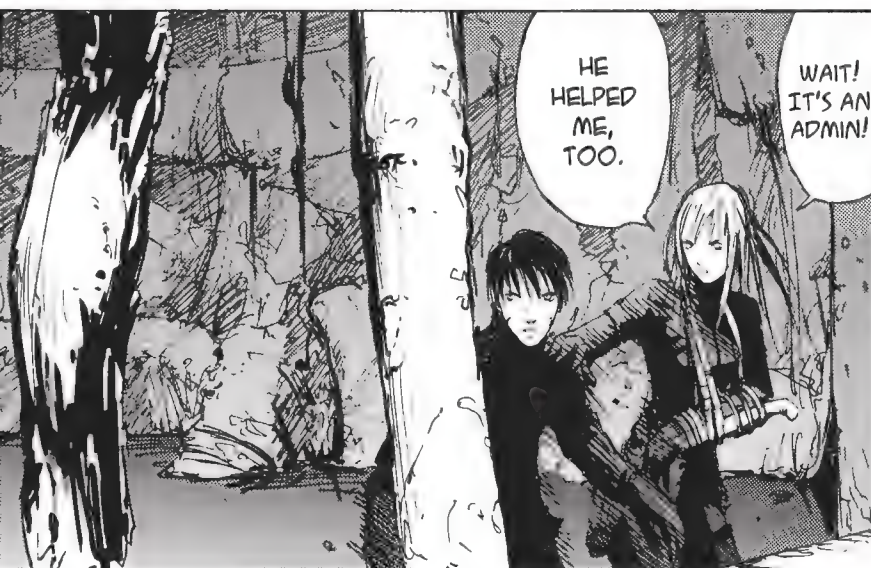
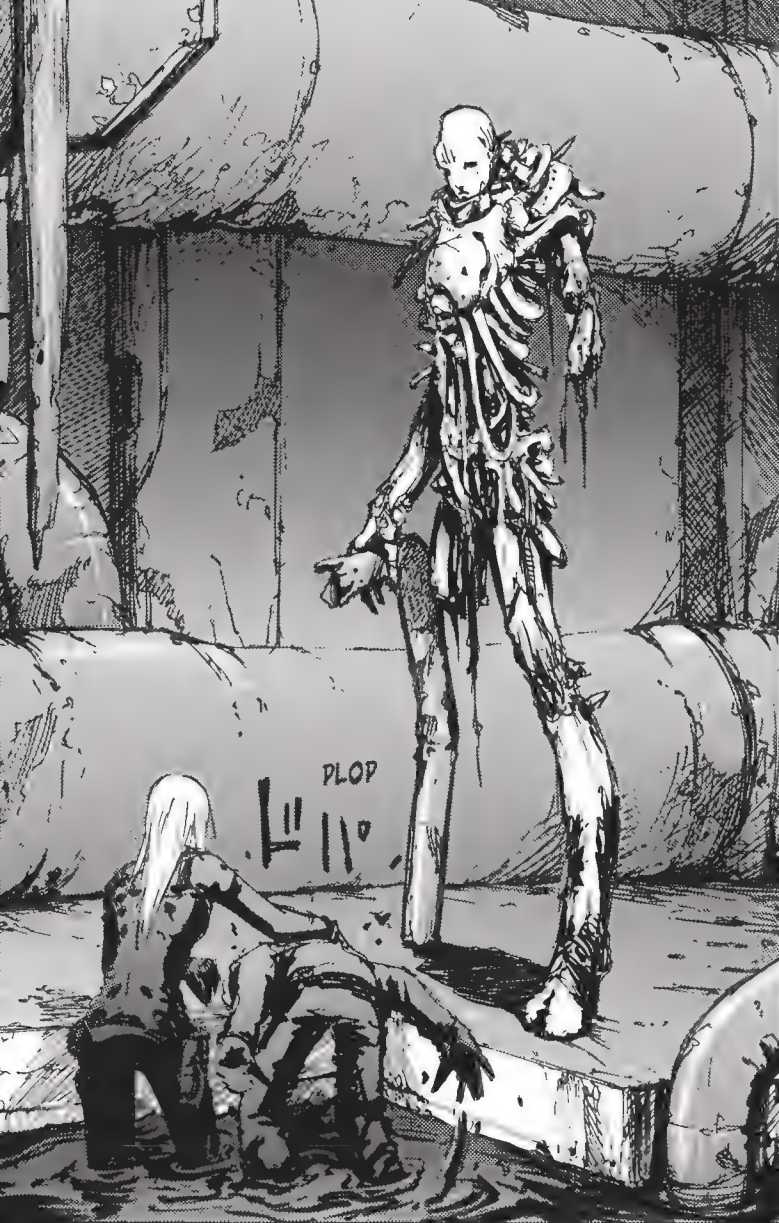


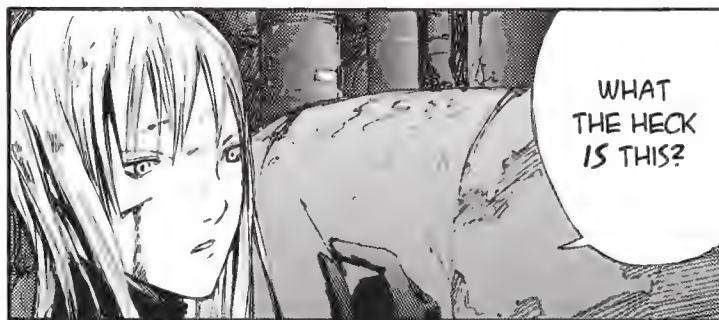
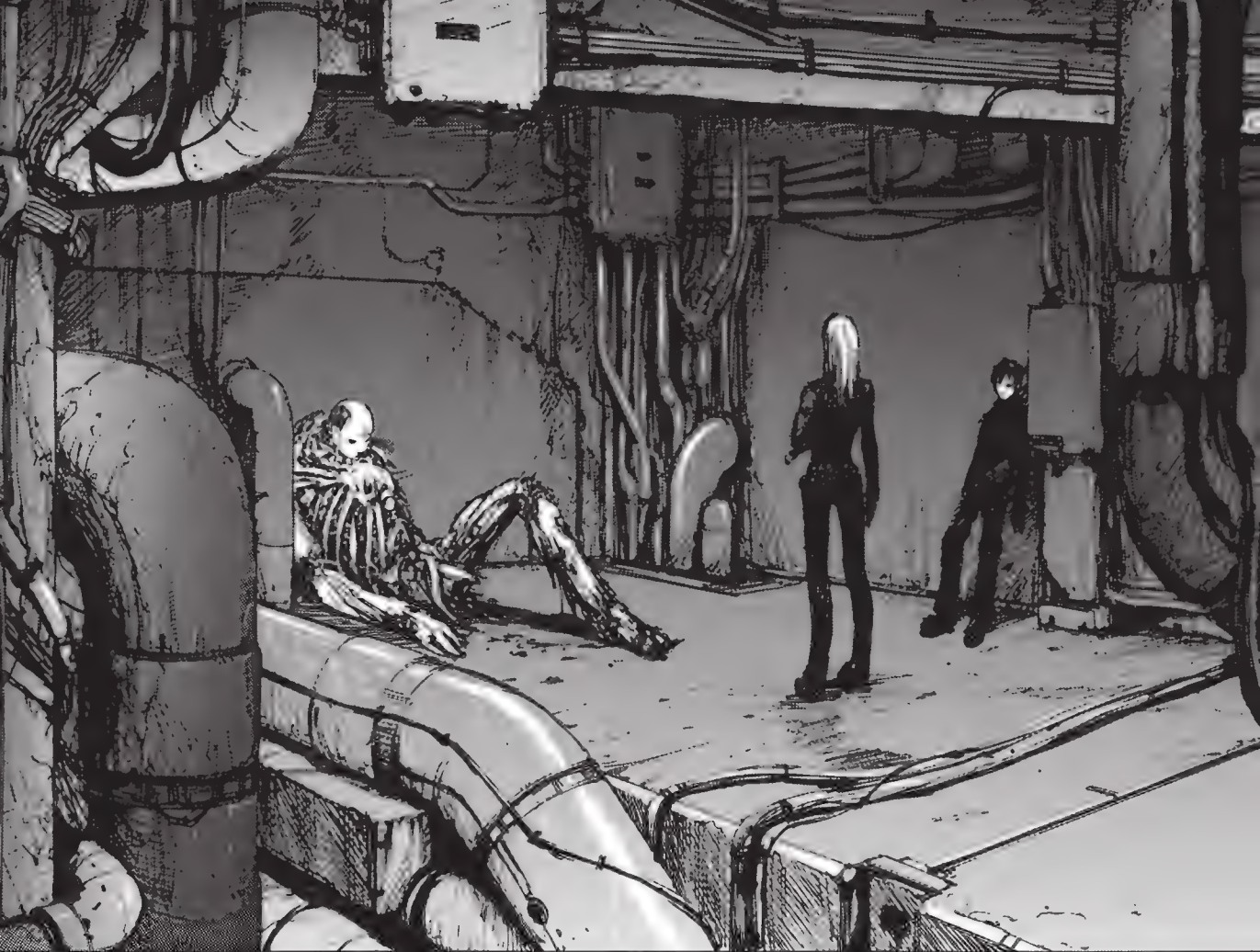




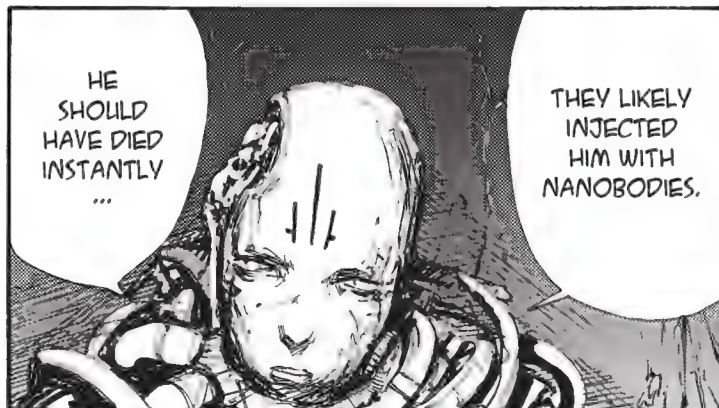








WHAT
THE HECK
IS THIS?

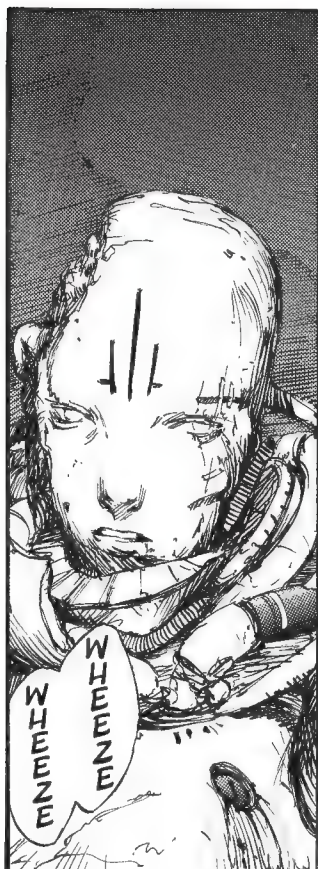


HE
SHOULD
HAVE DIED
INSTANTLY
...

THEY LIKELY
INJECTED
HIM WITH
NANOBODIES.



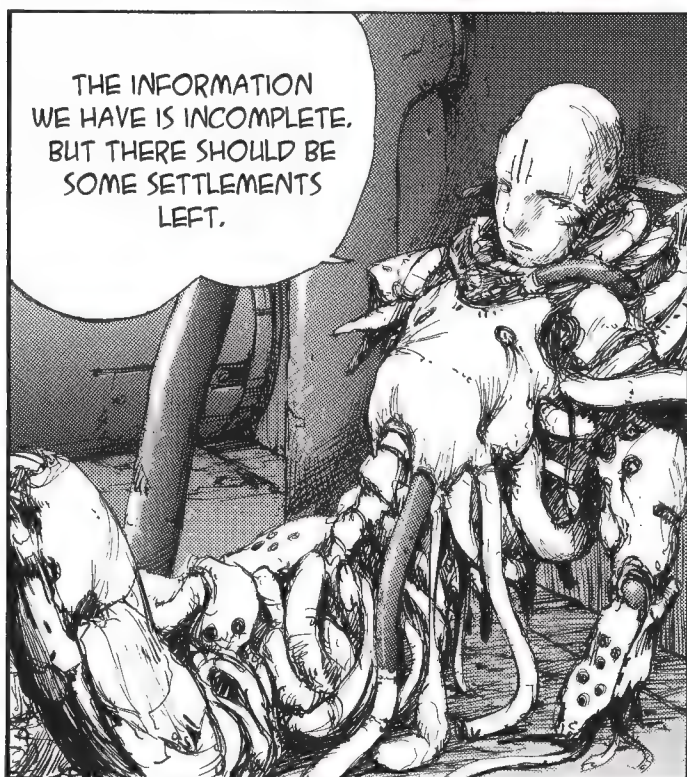
IS THERE
ANYTHING
HURT BESIDES
YOUR RIGHT
ARM?



WHEEZE
WHEEZE



THOSE
SAFEGUARDS
HAD A
GRAVITON
BEAM
EMITTER,
DIDN'T
THEY?



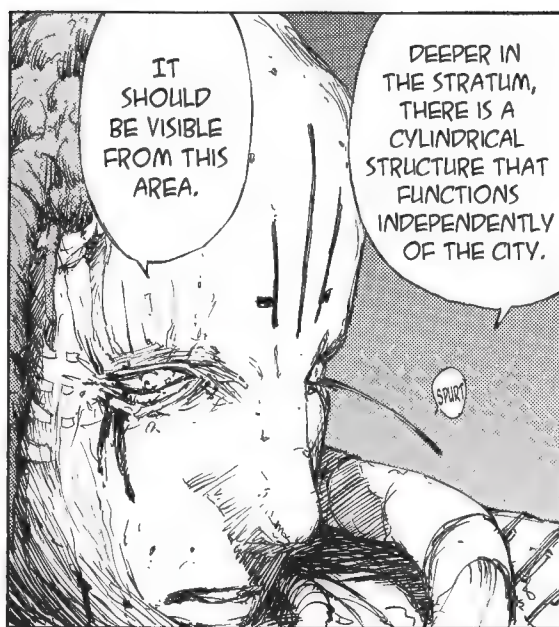
THE INFORMATION
WE HAVE IS INCOMPLETE,
BUT THERE SHOULD BE
SOME SETTLEMENTS
LEFT.



ARE THERE
ANY OTHER
AREAS IN
THIS STRATUM
WITH
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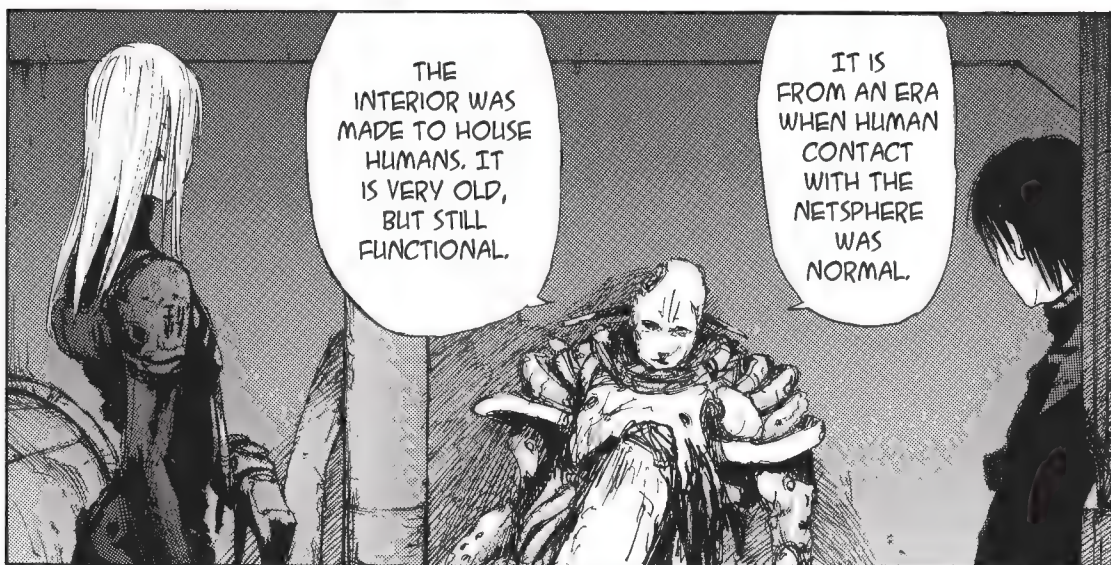


WE SAW
IT ON
OUR WAY
HERE.



IT
SHOULD
BE VISIBLE
FROM THIS
AREA.

DEEPER IN
THE STRATUM,
THERE IS A
CYLINDRICAL
STRUCTURE THAT
FUNCTIONS
INDEPENDENTLY
OF THE CITY.



THE
INTERIOR WAS
MADE TO HOUSE
HUMANS. IT
IS VERY OLD,
BUT STILL
FUNCTIONAL.

IT IS
FROM AN ERA
WHEN HUMAN
CONTACT
WITH THE
NETSPHERE
WAS
NORMAL.



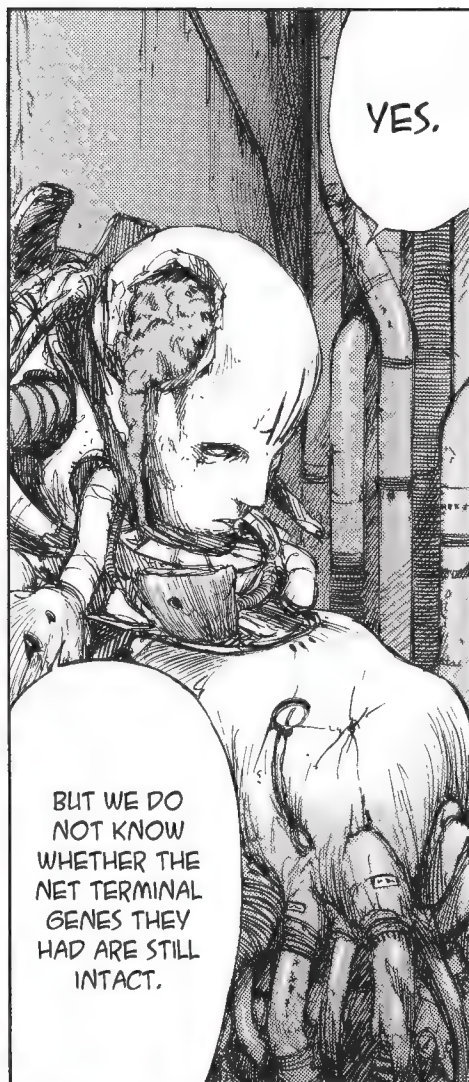
PEOPLE
IN IT
?

ARE
THERE



BESIDES, IF THEY DID HAVE FUNCTIONAL TERMINAL GENES, THEY WOULD ALREADY BE CONNECTED TO THE NETSPHERE THEMSELVES.

YOU DON'T KNOW... SO IS THERE A WAY TO FIND OUT?



YES.

BUT WE DO NOT KNOW WHETHER THE NET TERMINAL GENES THEY HAD ARE STILL INTACT.



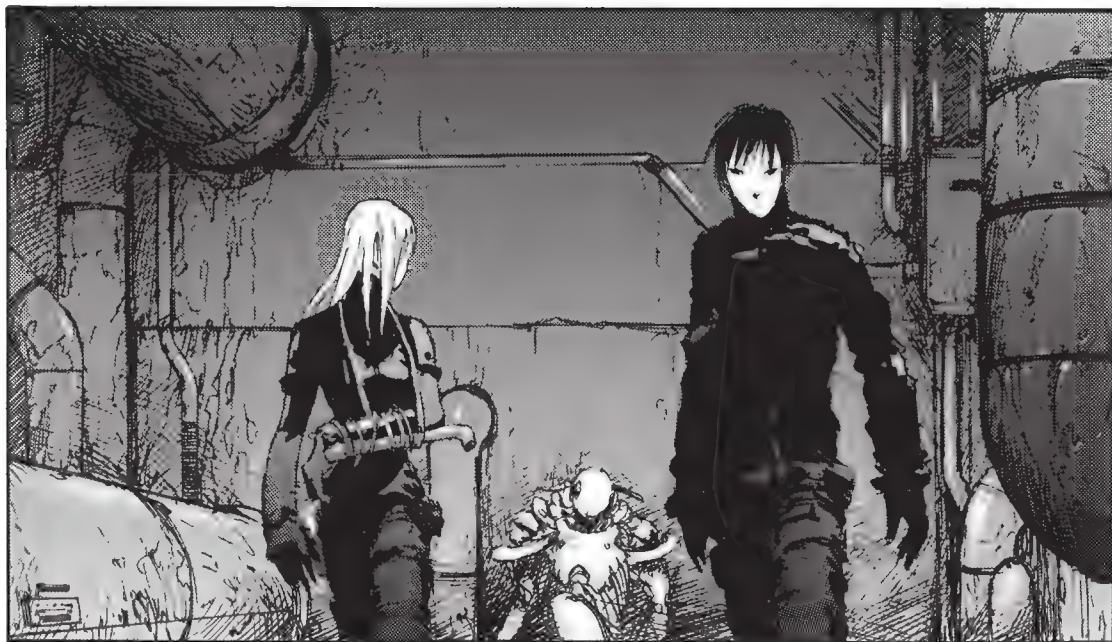
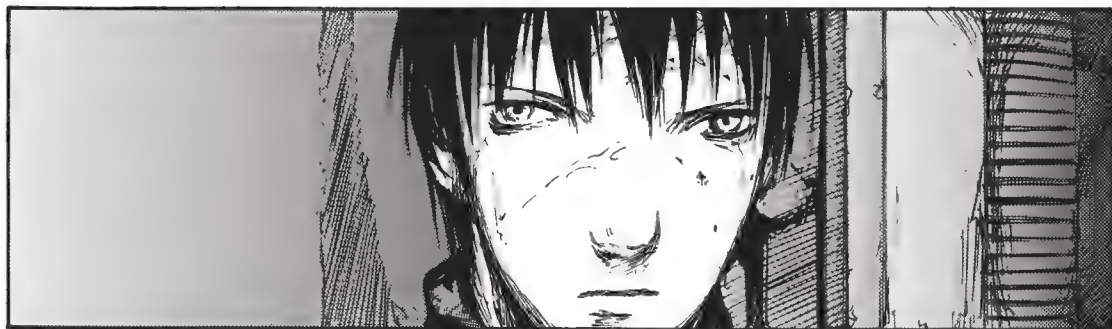
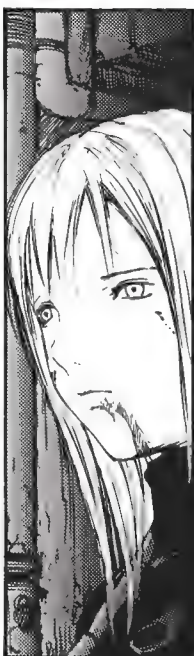
HAVE YOU EVER BEEN INSIDE THE STRUCTURE?



A PARADOX.

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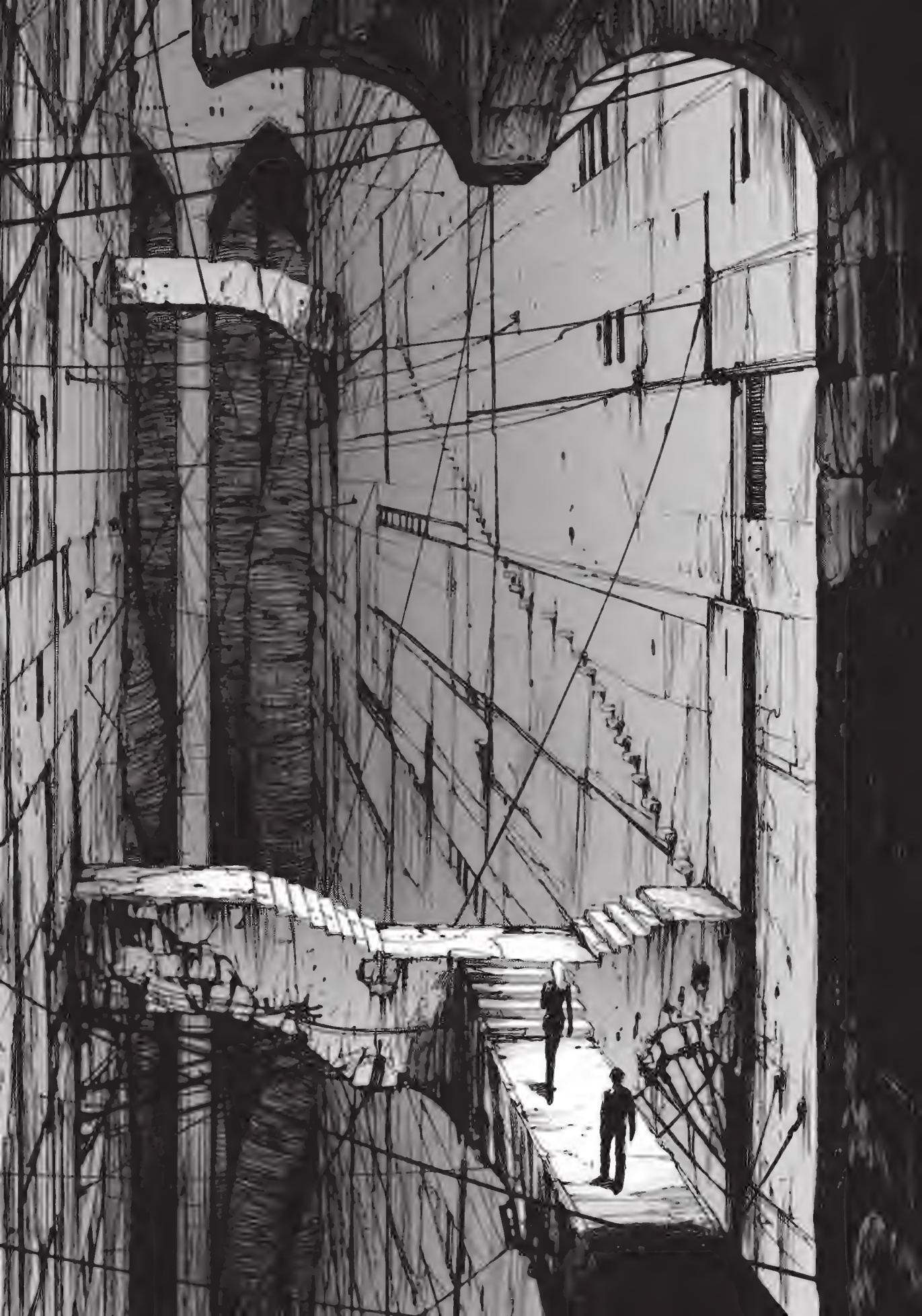
WITHOUT A COMMAND FROM A HUMAN WITH THE NET TERMINAL GENE... THE ADMINISTRATION CANNOT EXECUTE ACTIONS OF THAT SORT.

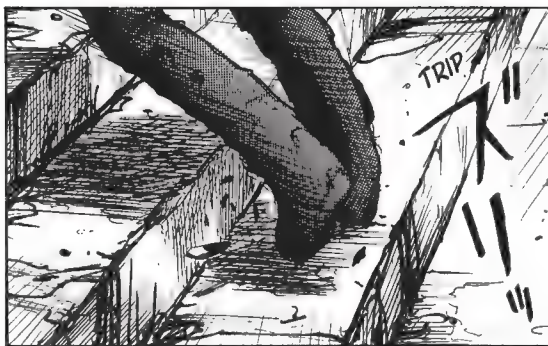
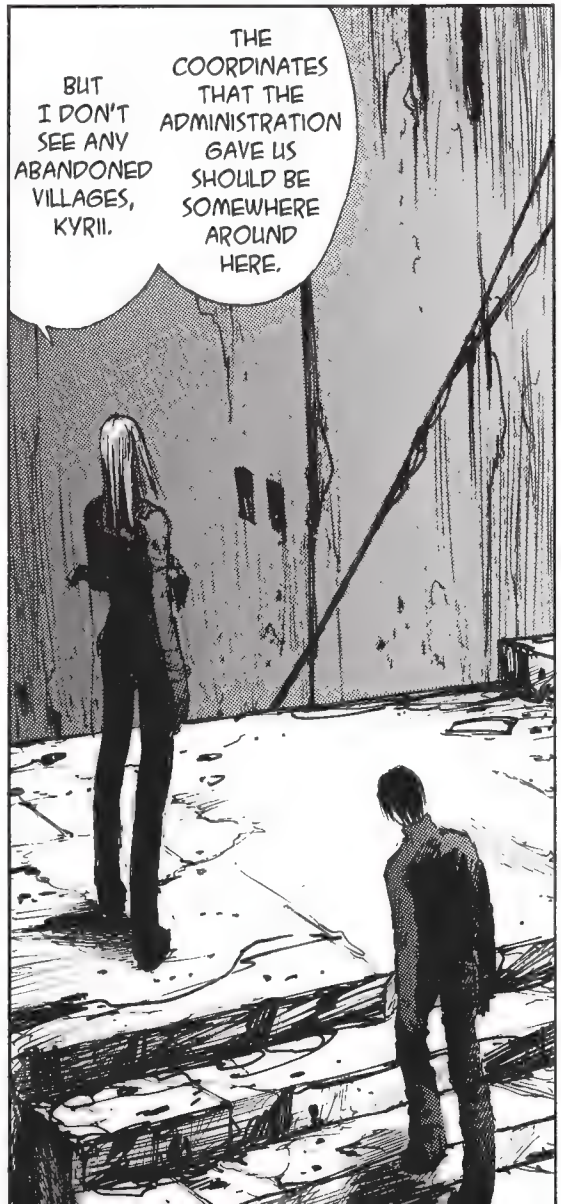


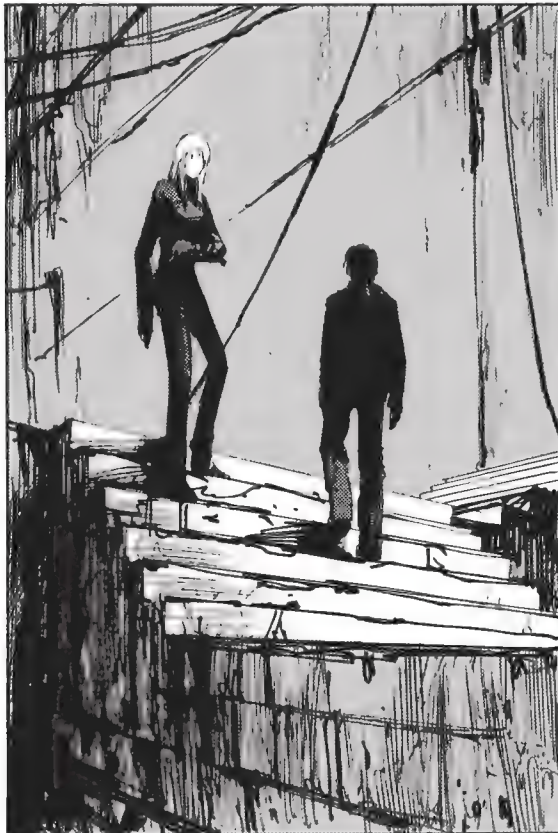
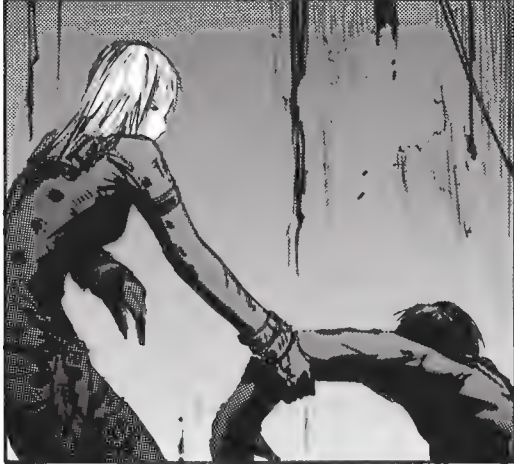
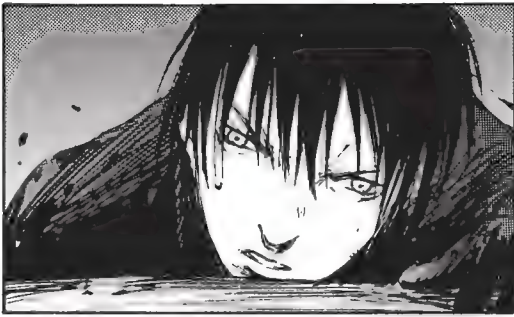


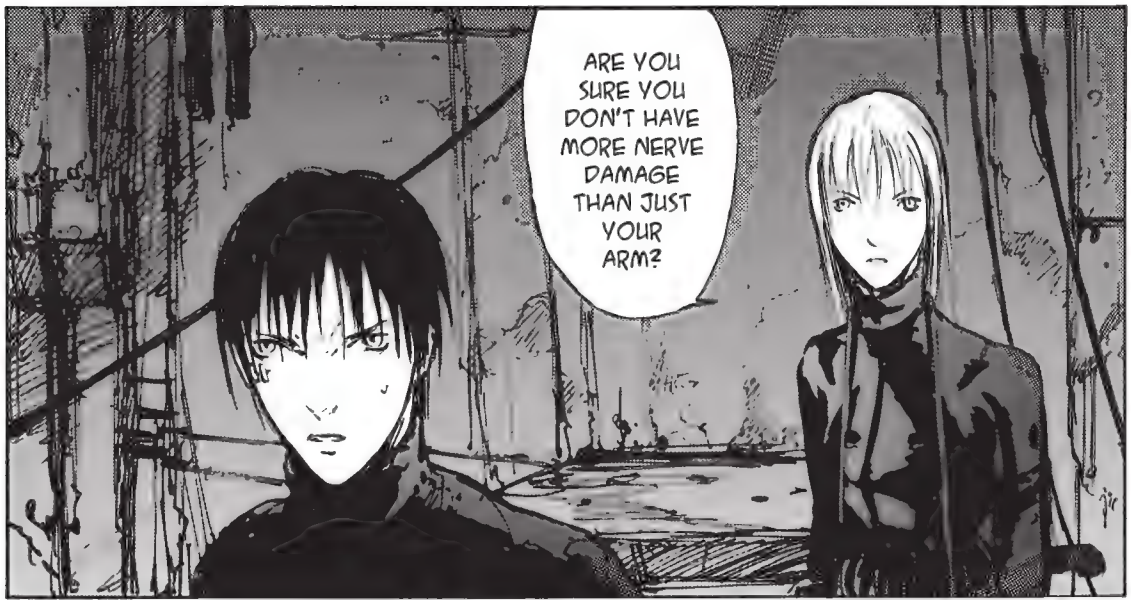
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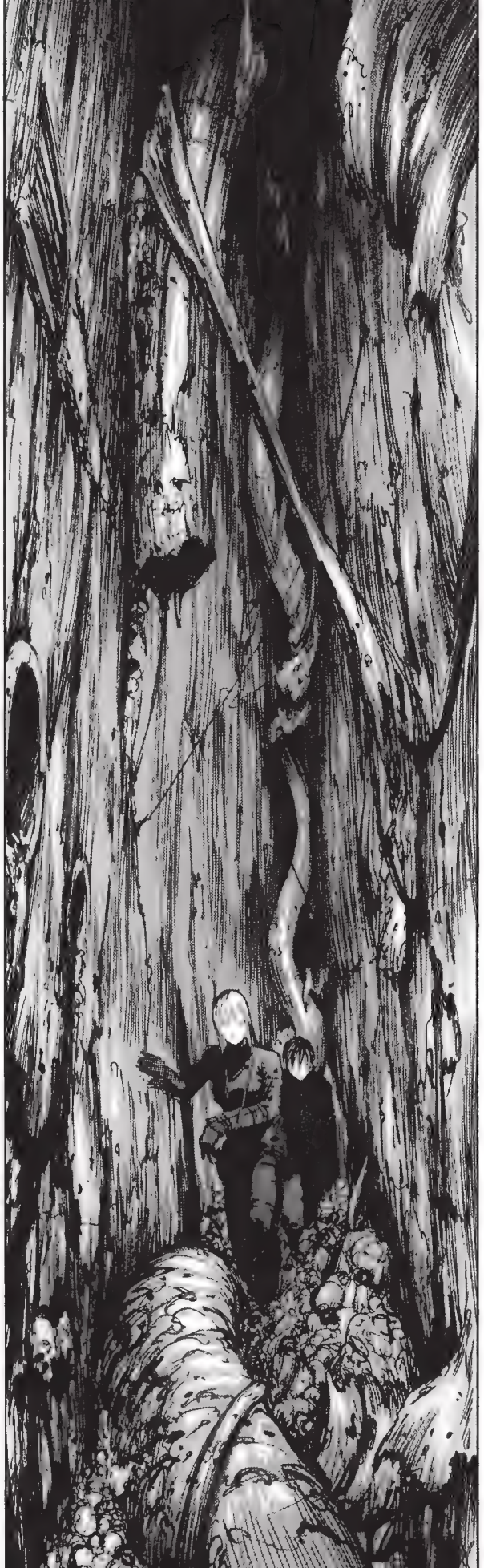
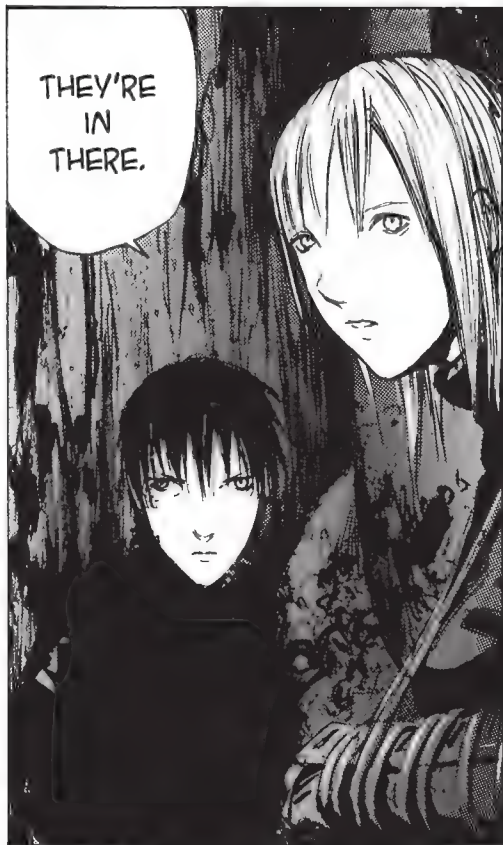
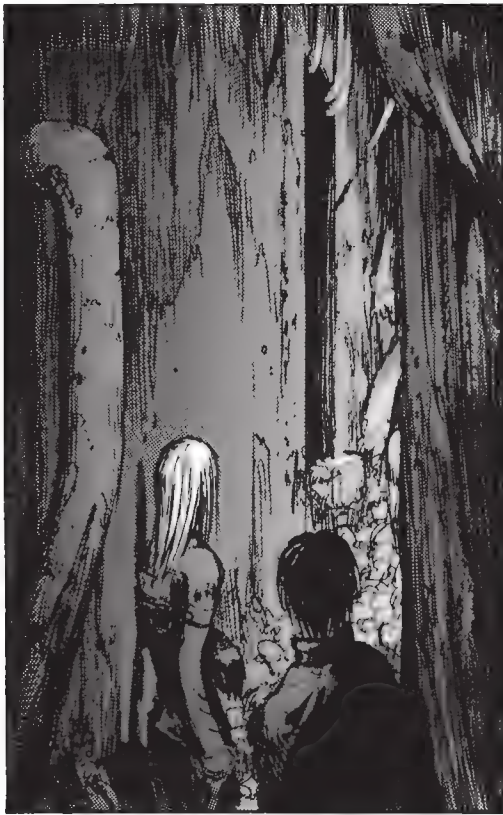
ELECTRO-FISHERS

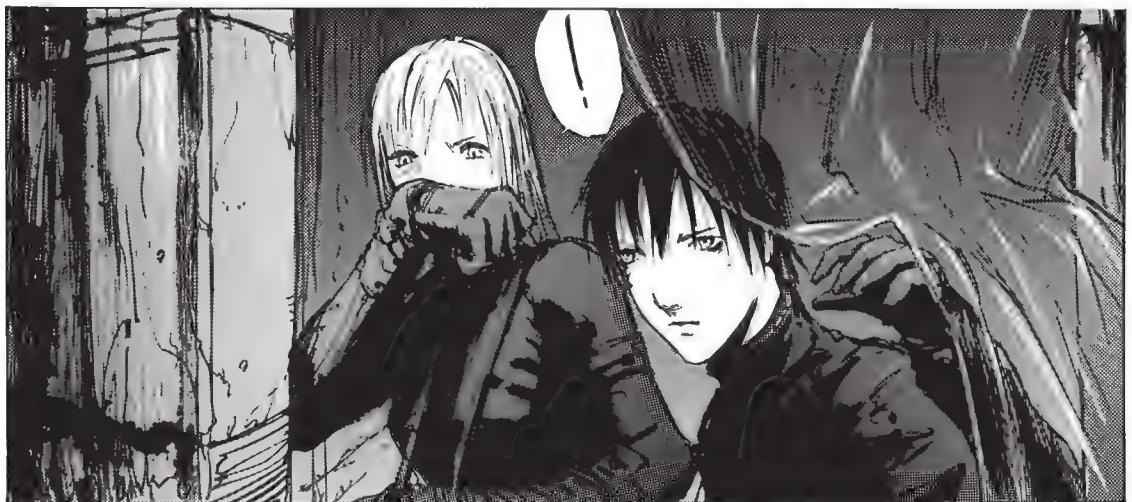
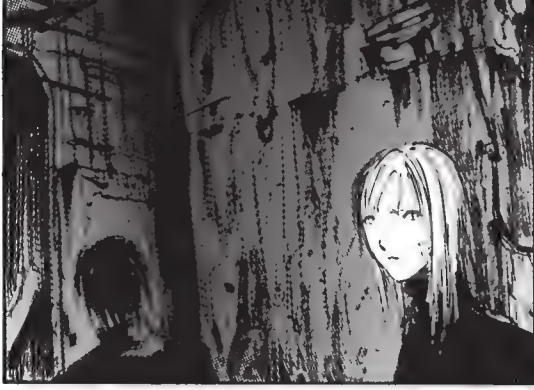


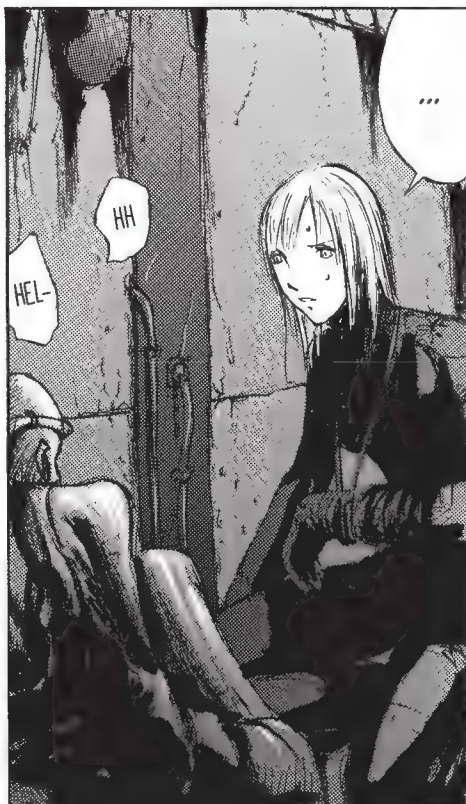
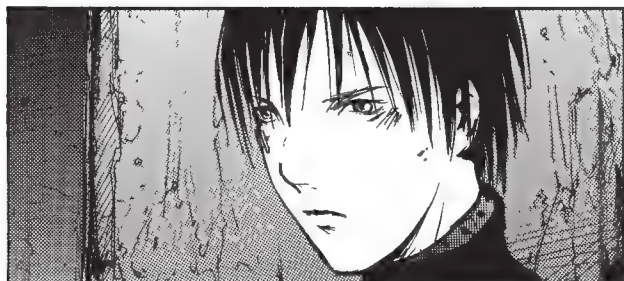


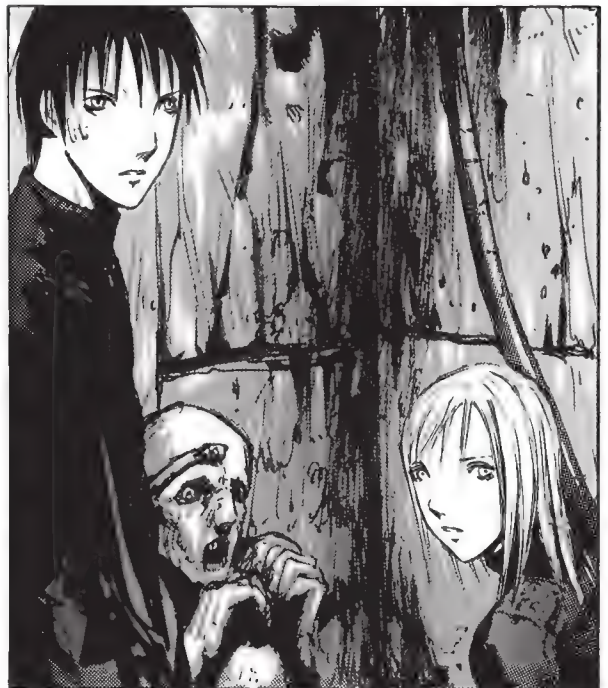
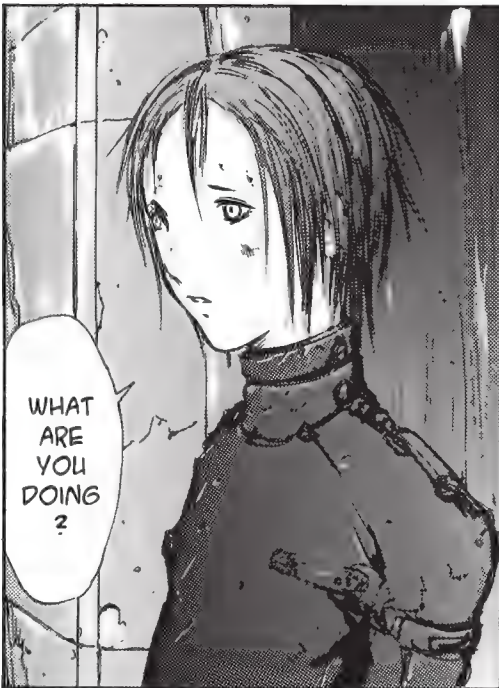
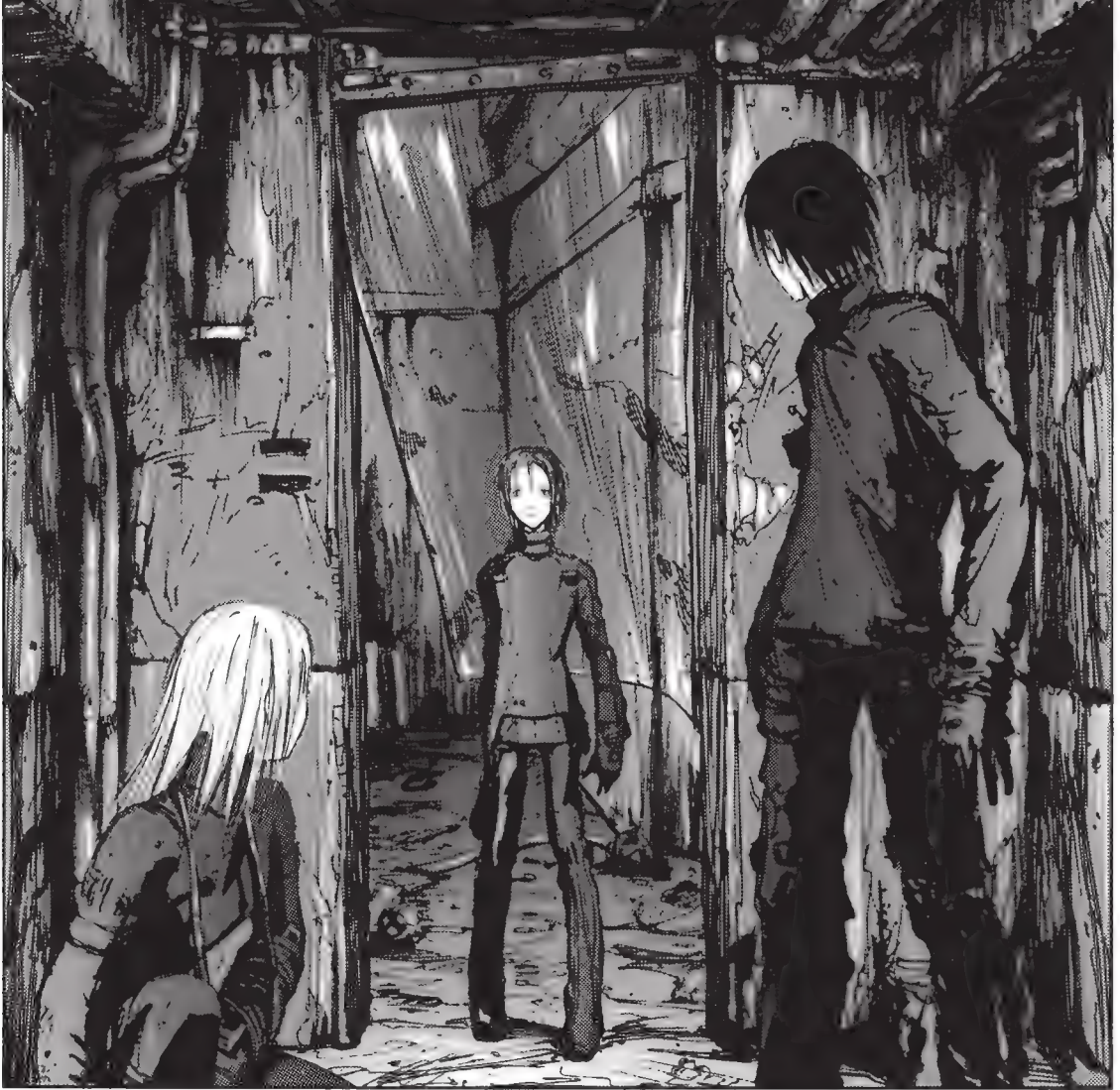


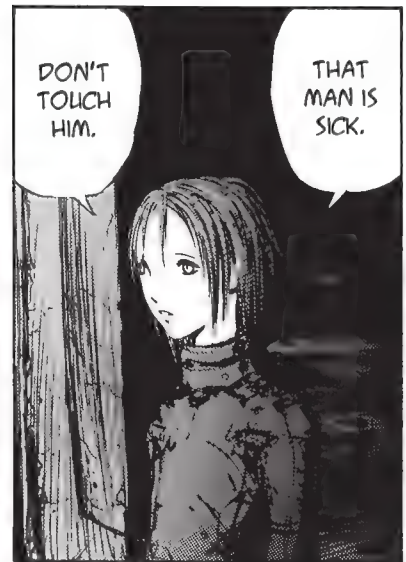
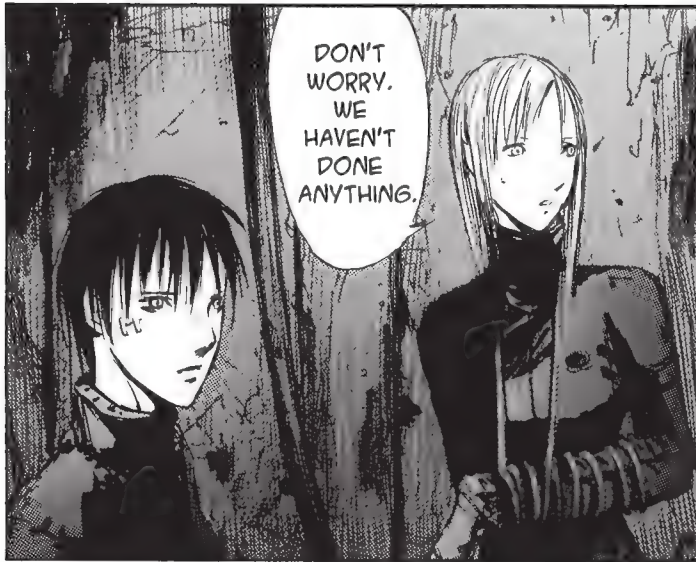


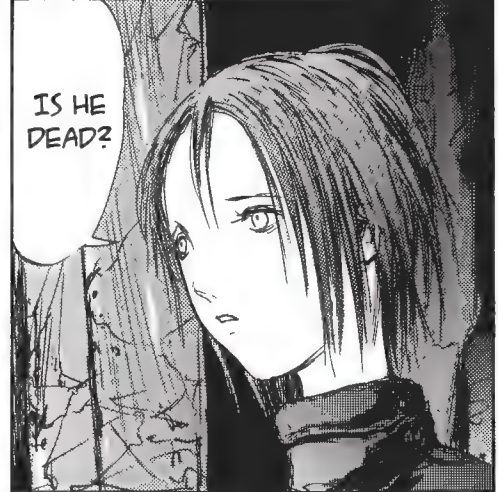
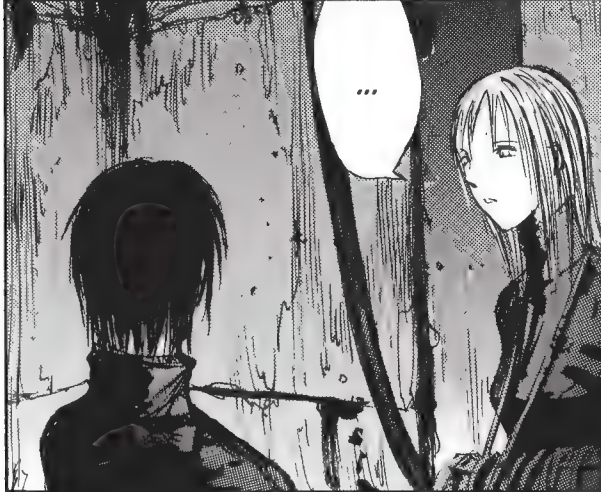
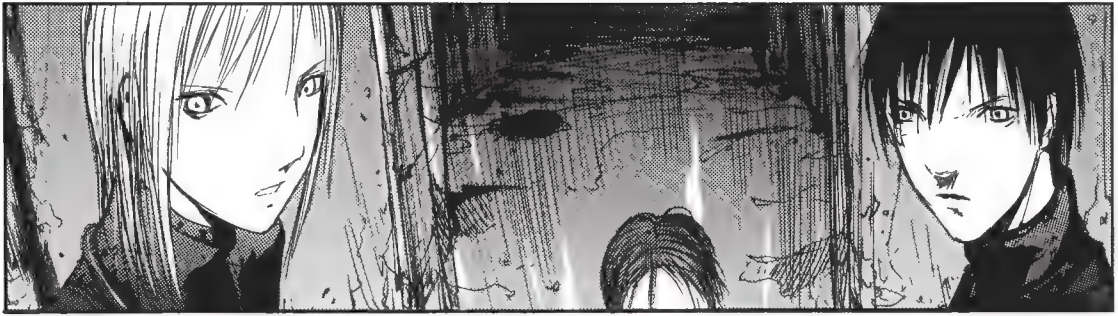


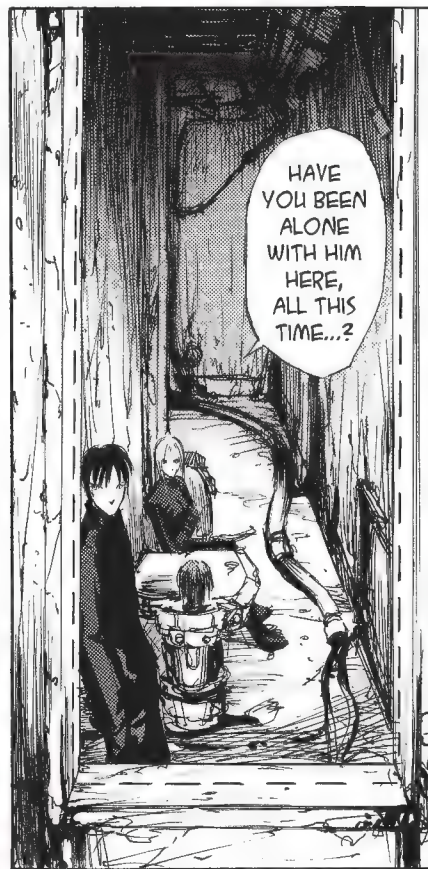
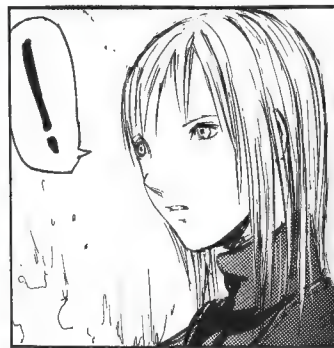
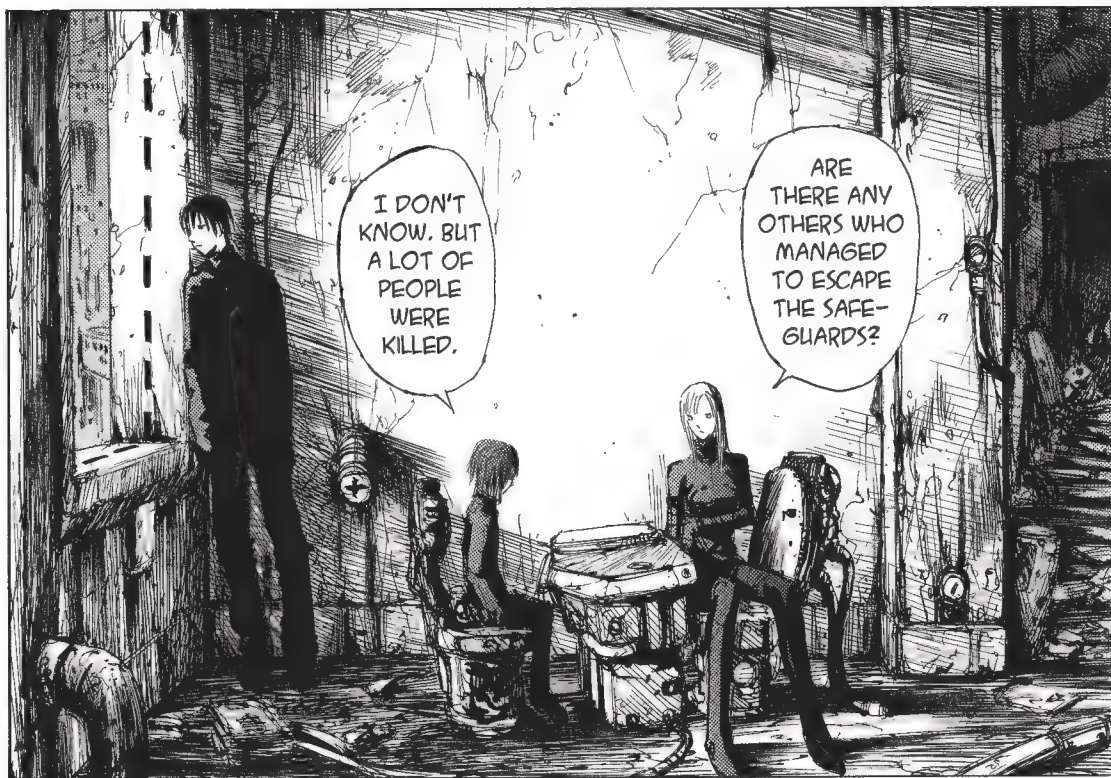


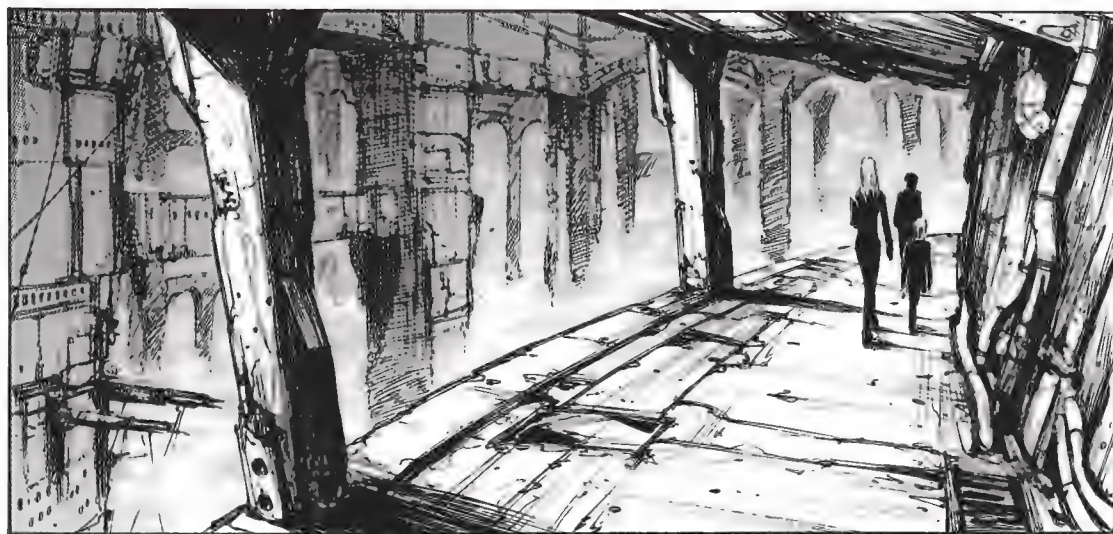


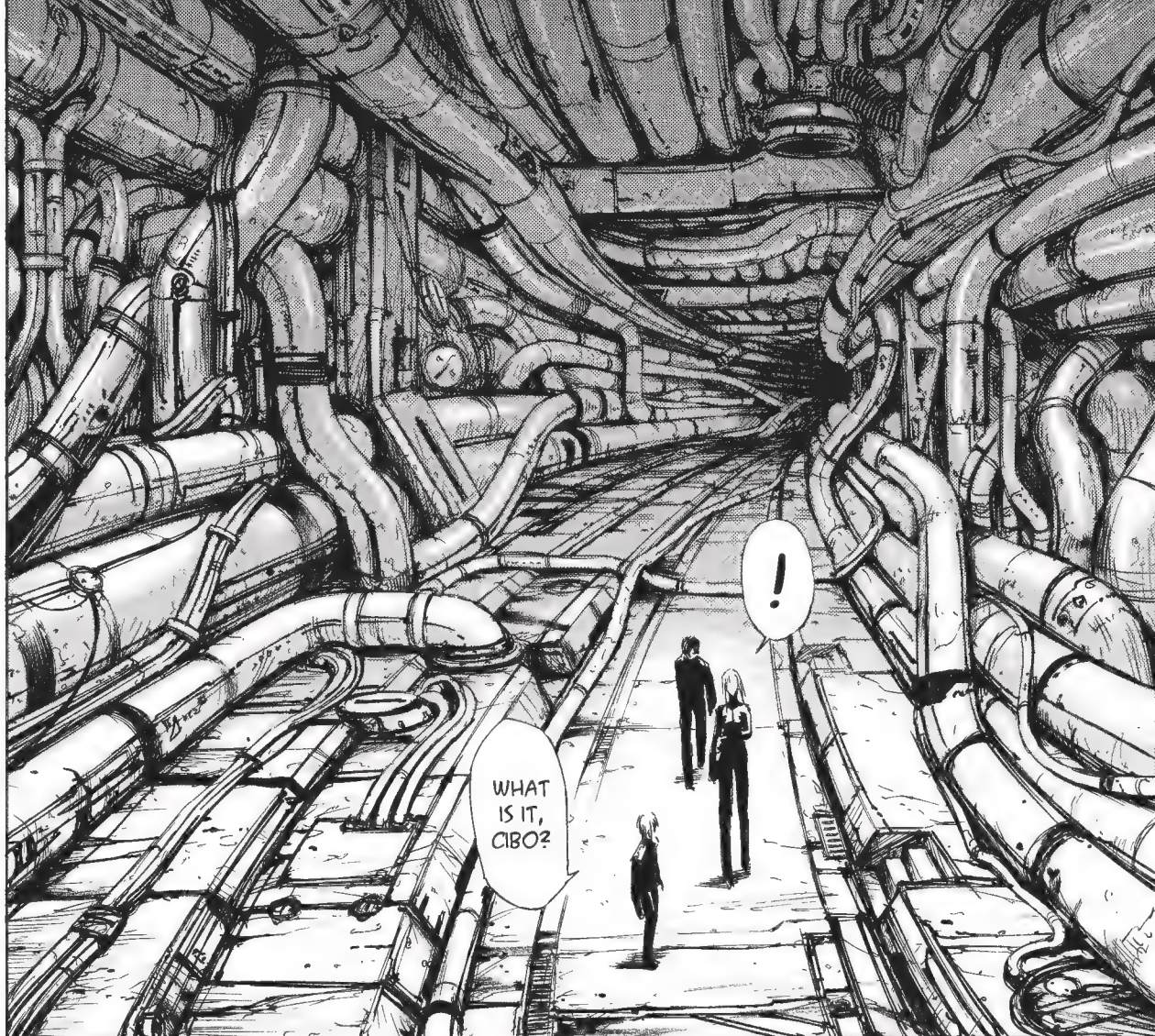




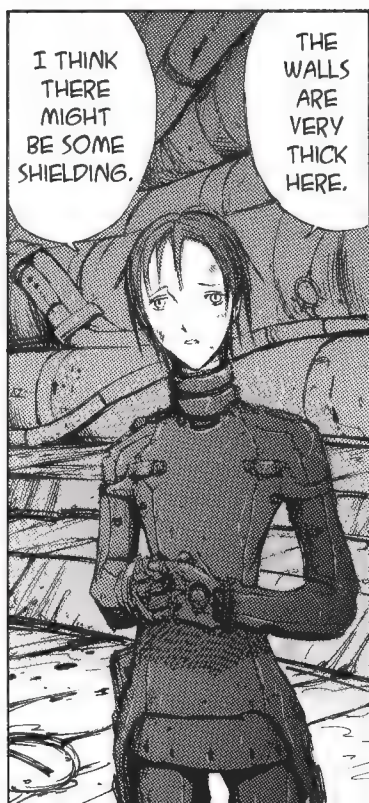








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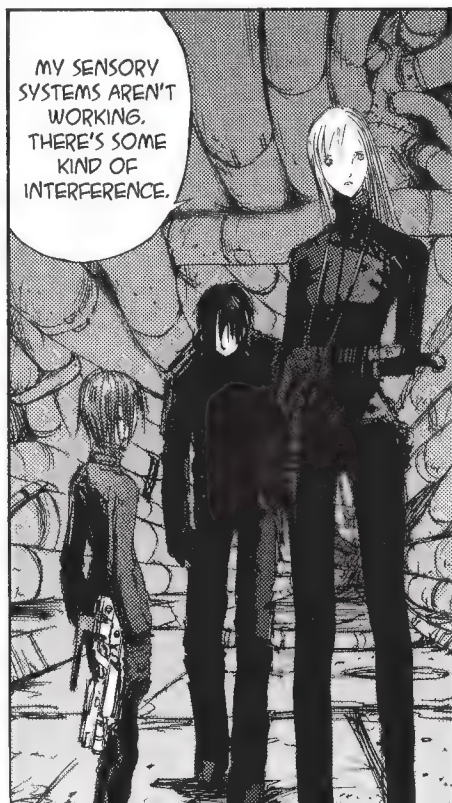


I THINK
THERE
MIGHT
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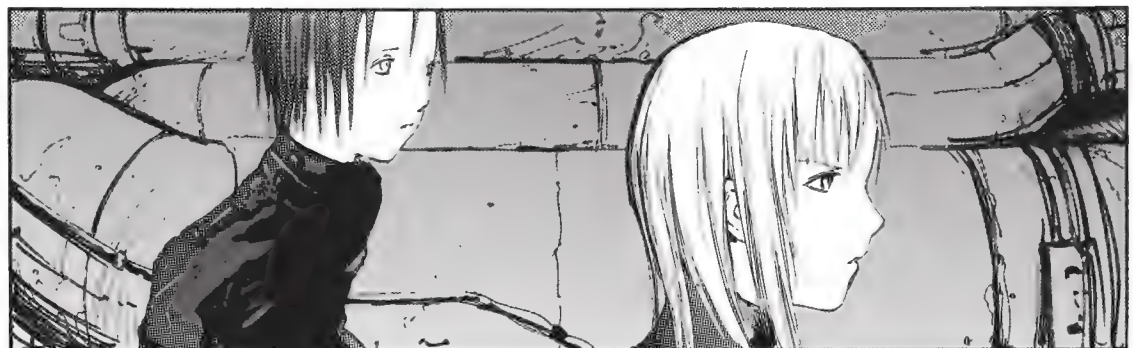
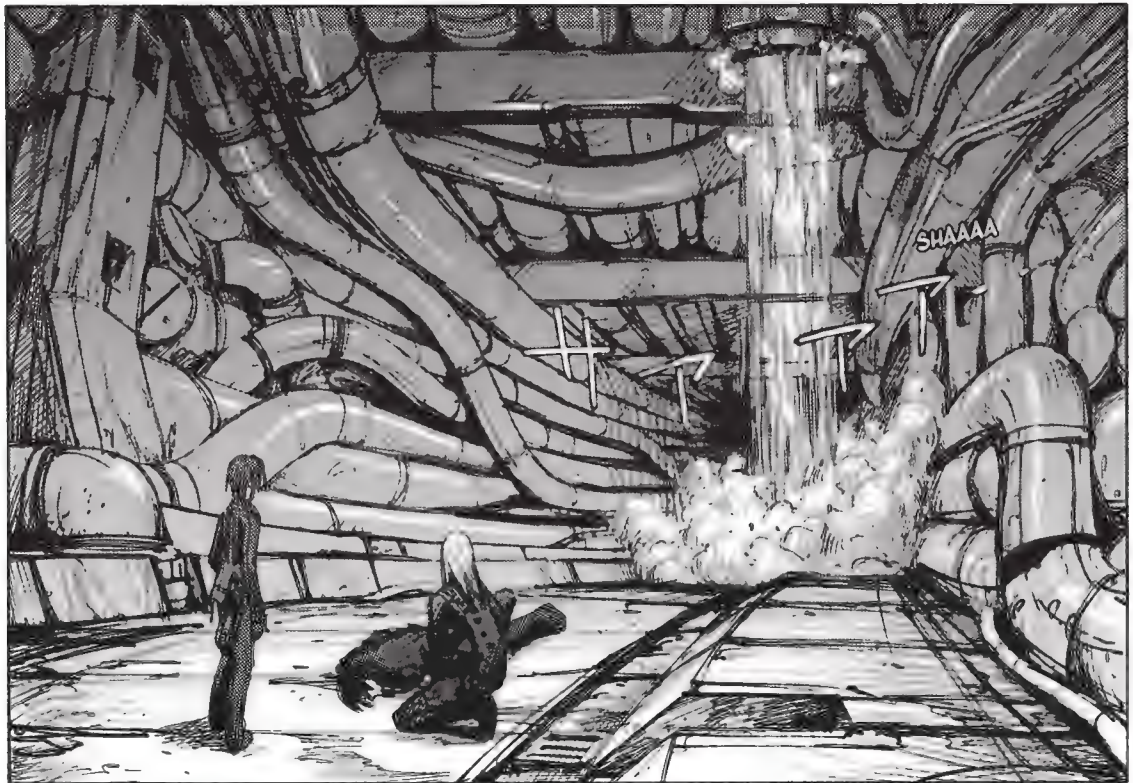
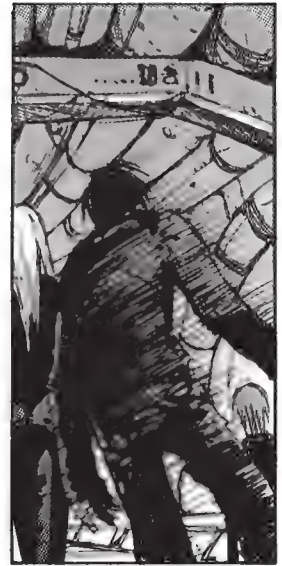
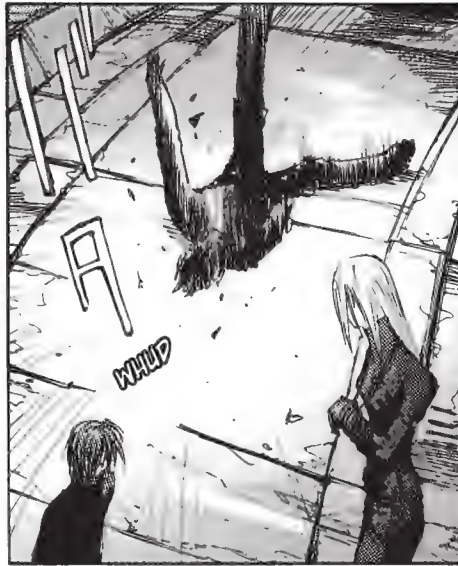
THE
WALLS
ARE
VERY
THICK
HERE.

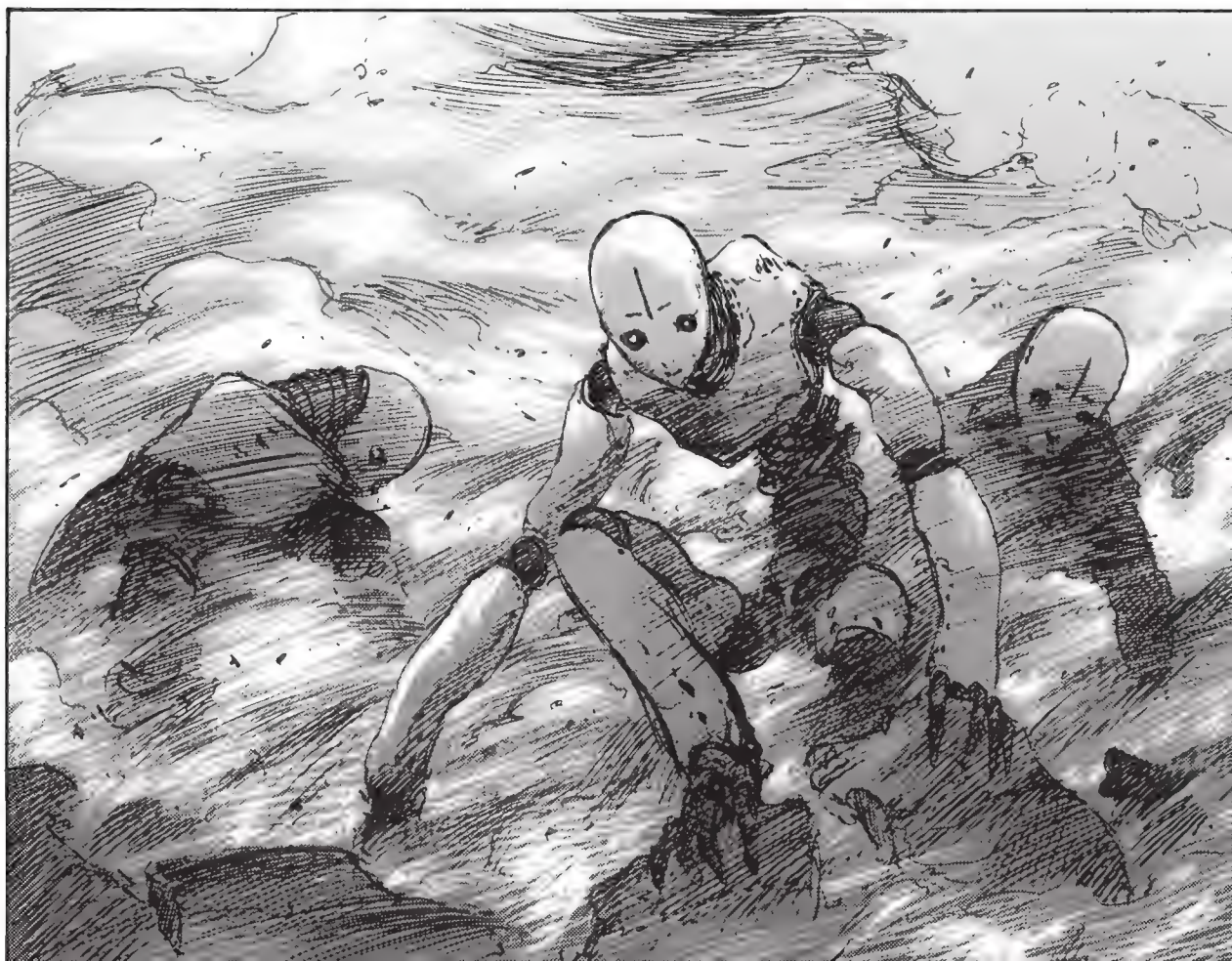
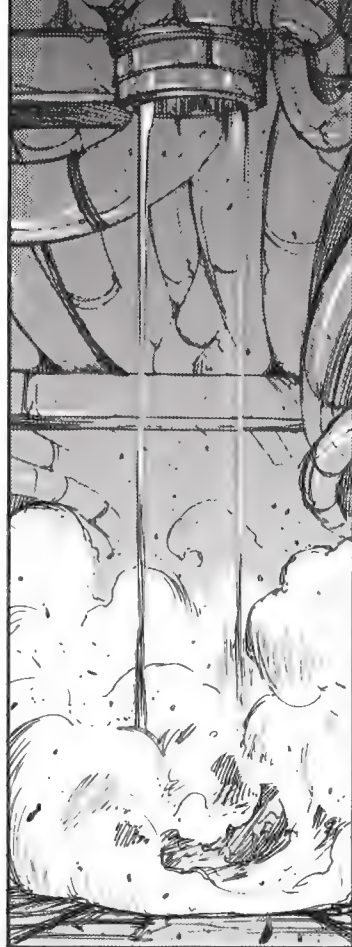


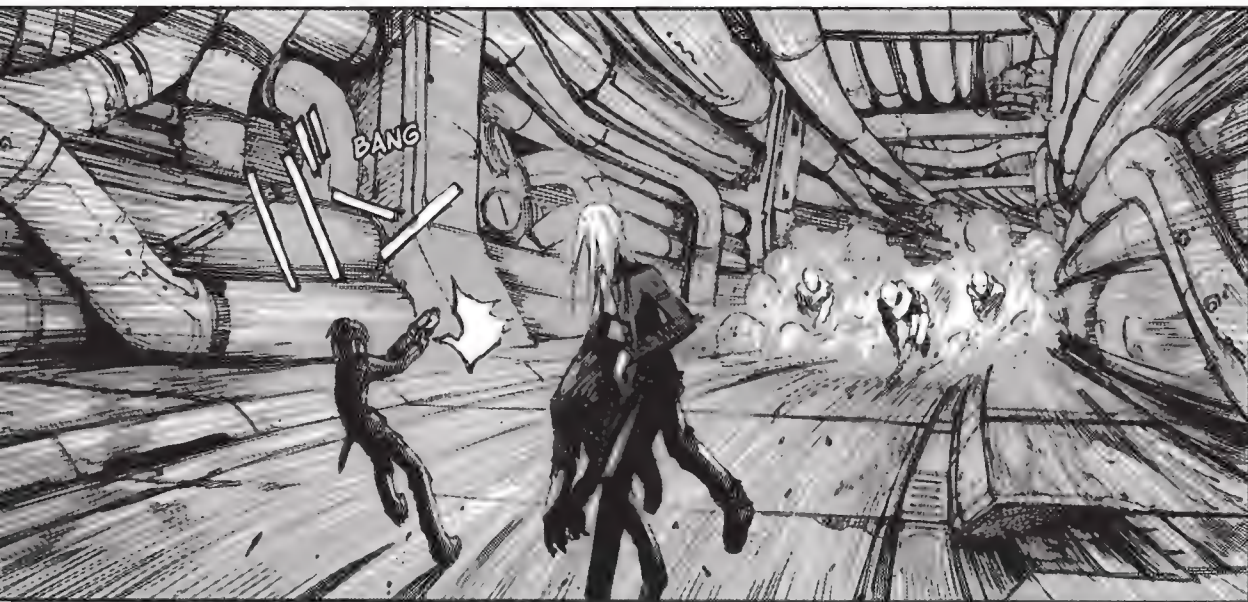
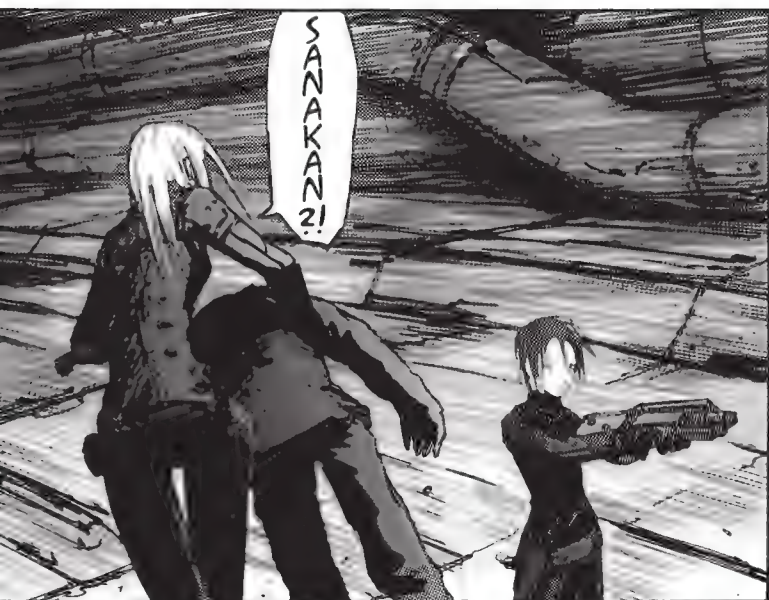
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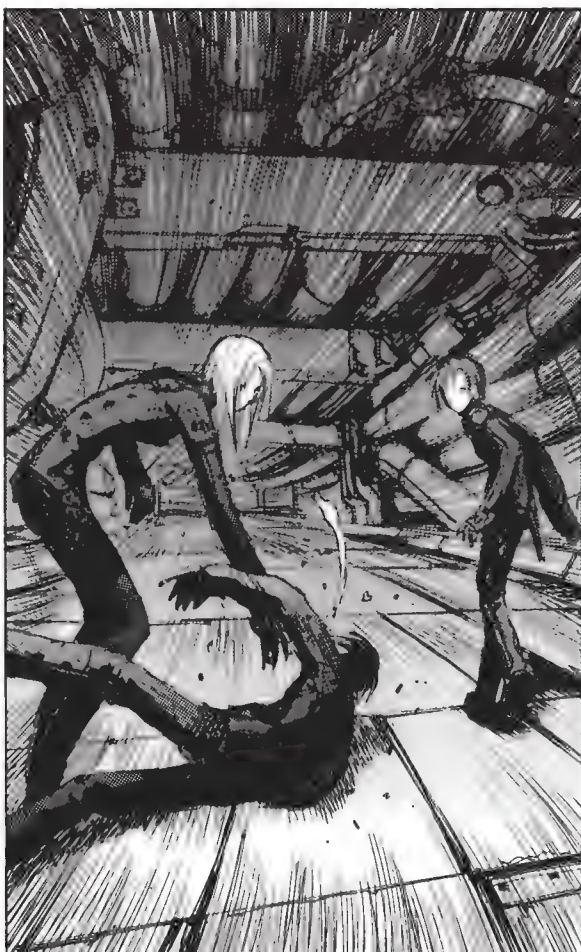


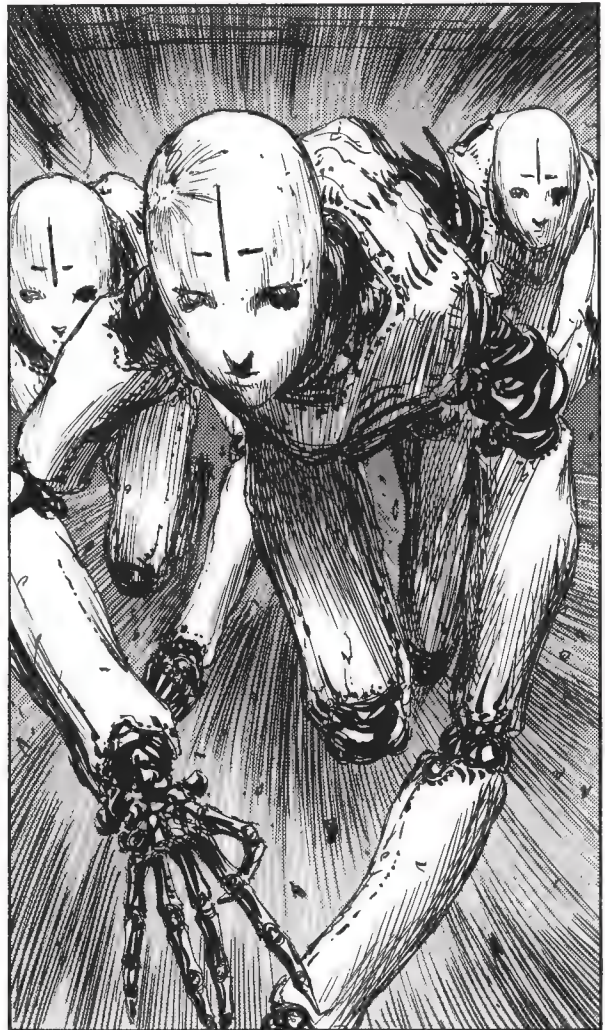
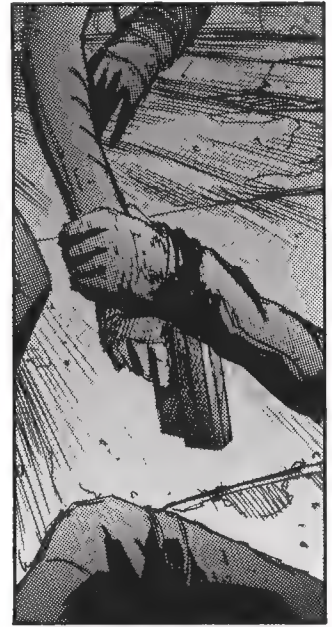
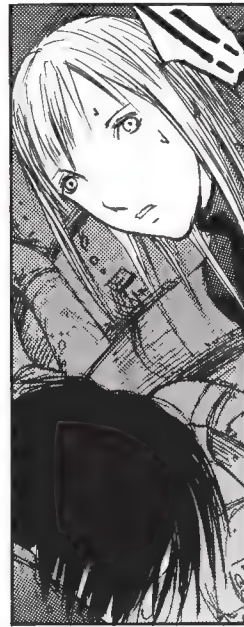
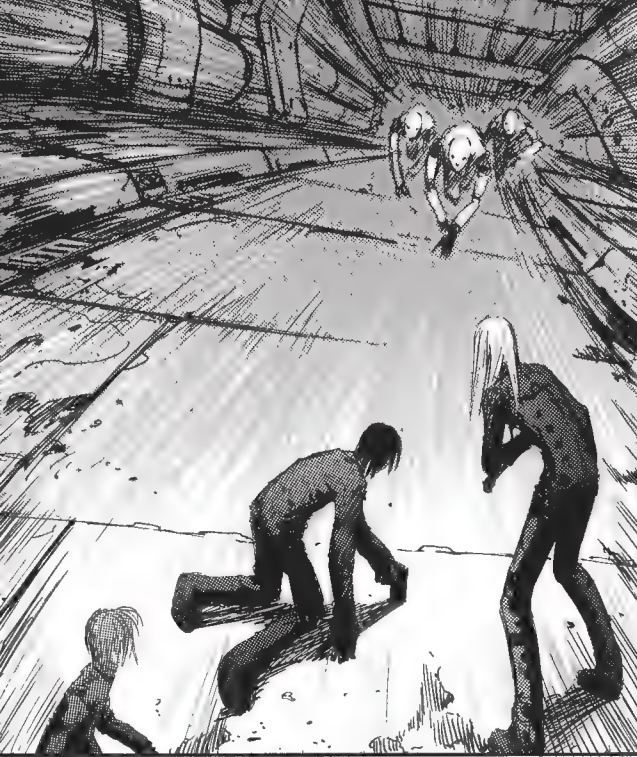
MY SENSORY
SYSTEMS AREN'T
WORKING.
THERE'S SOME
KIND OF
INTERFERENCE.

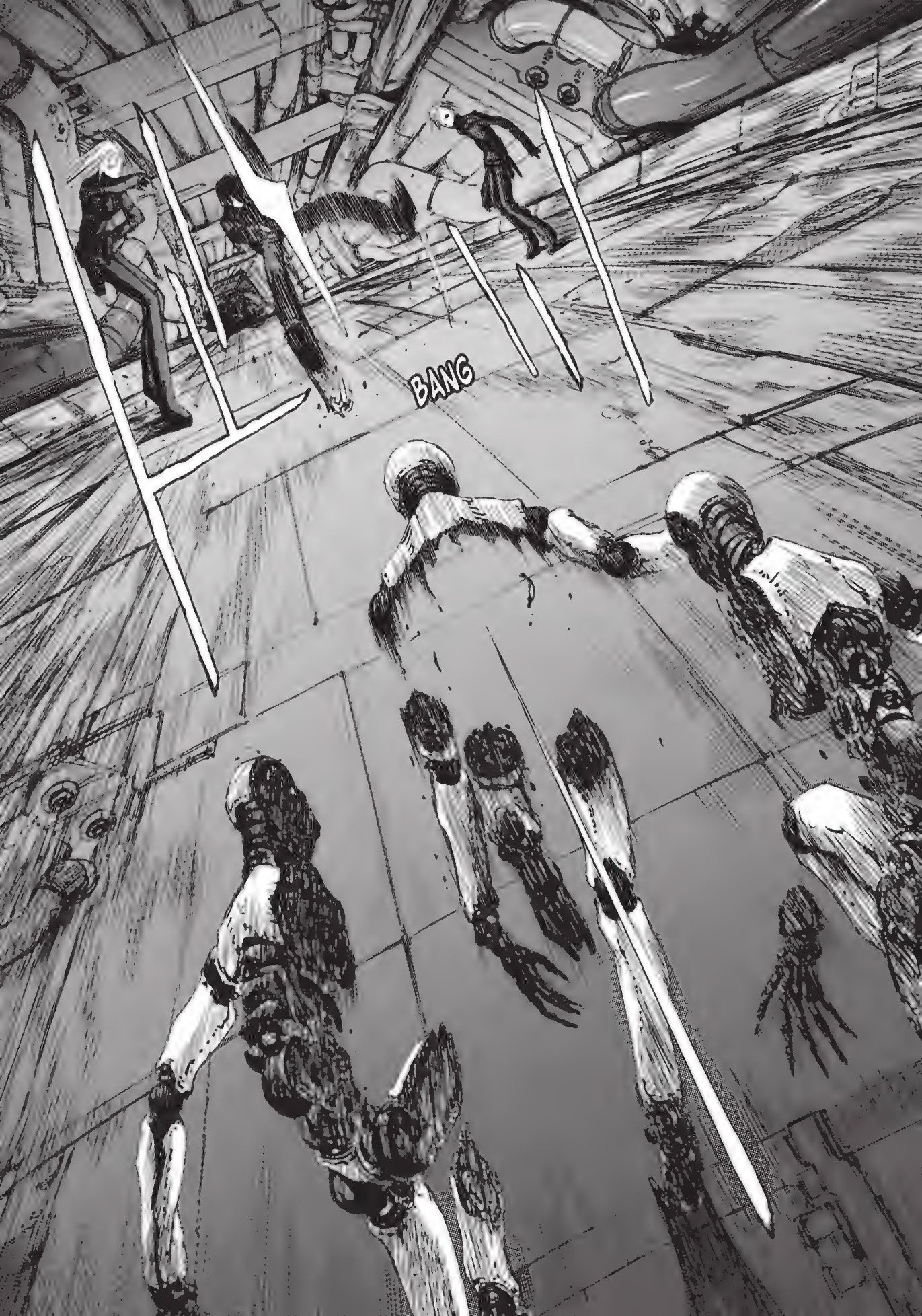




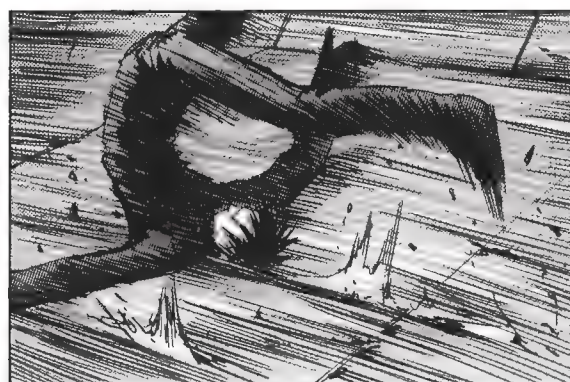
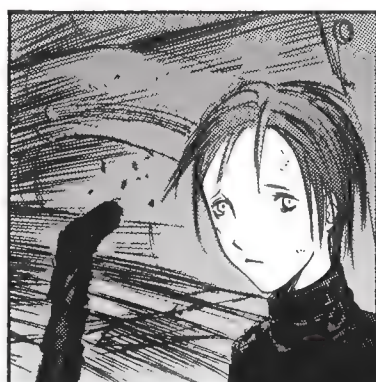
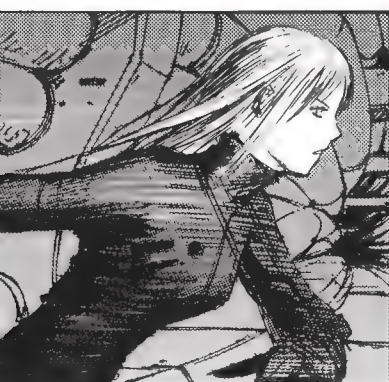
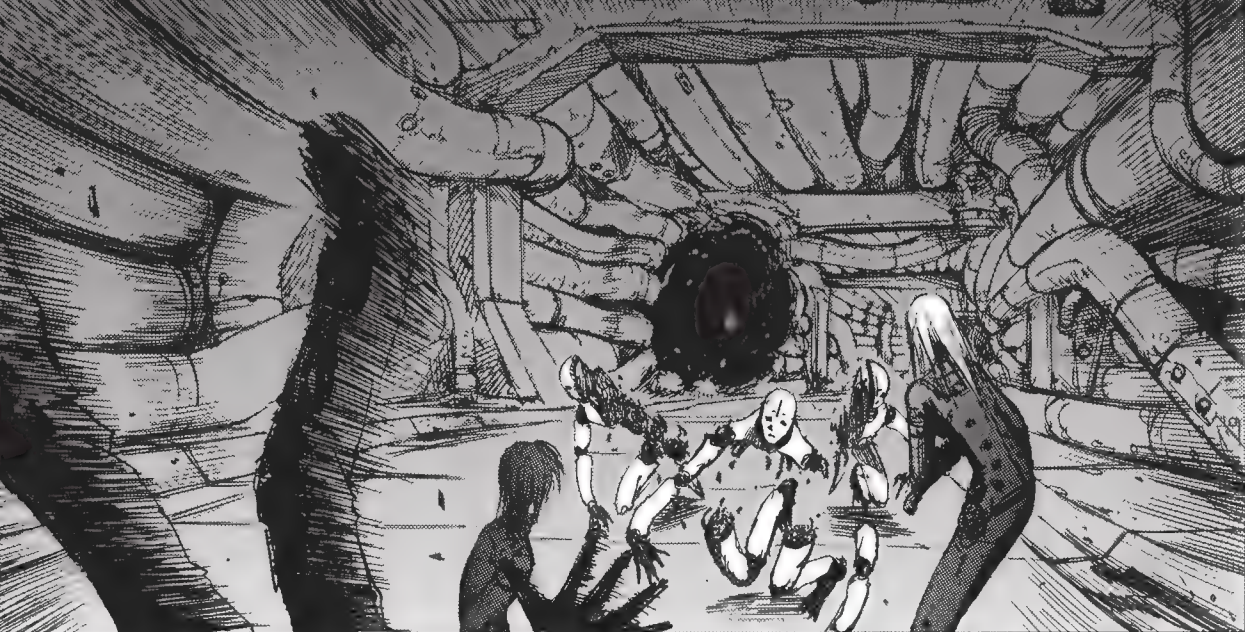




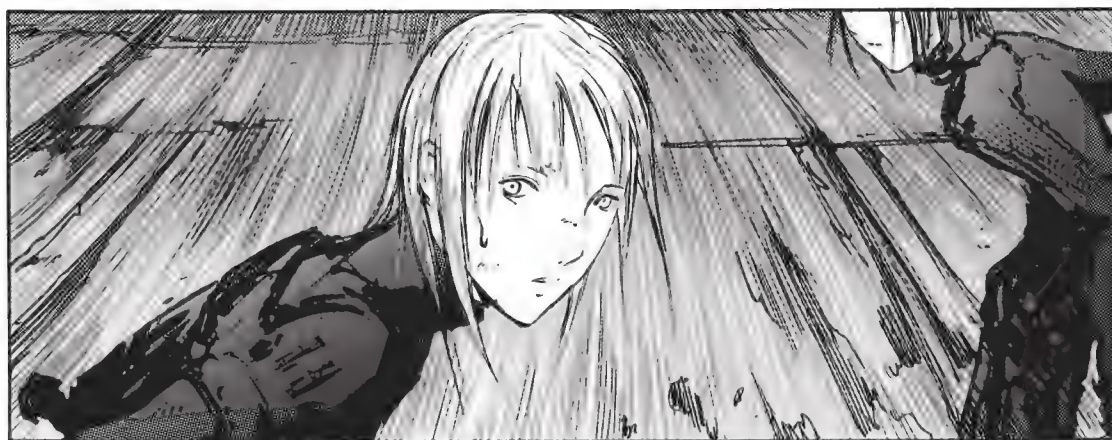
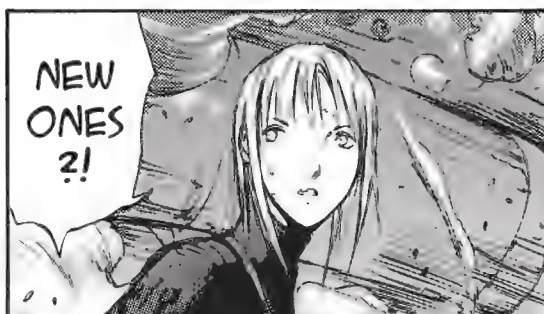
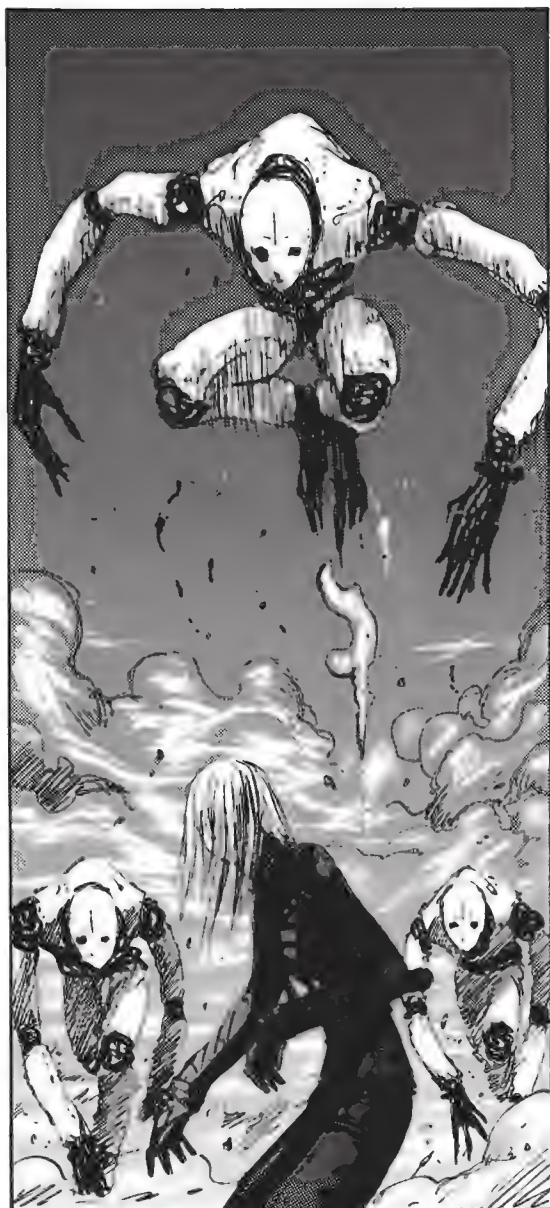


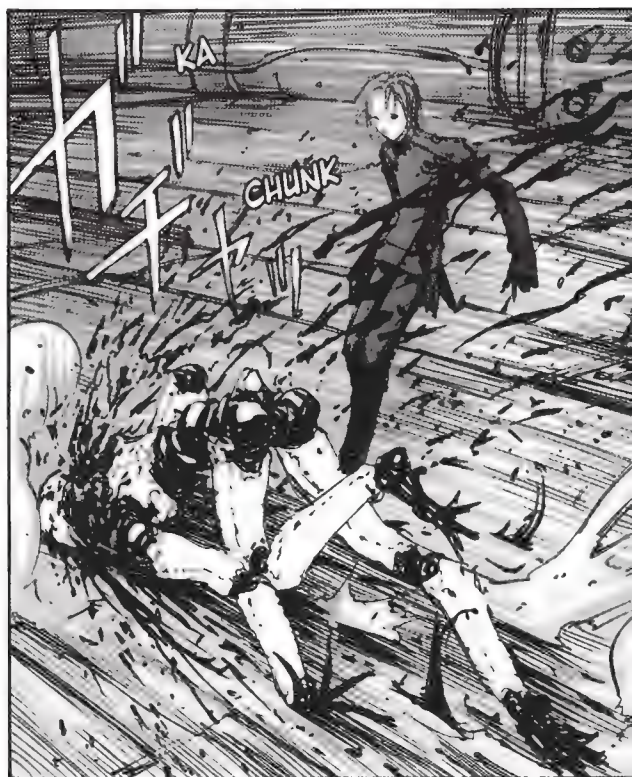
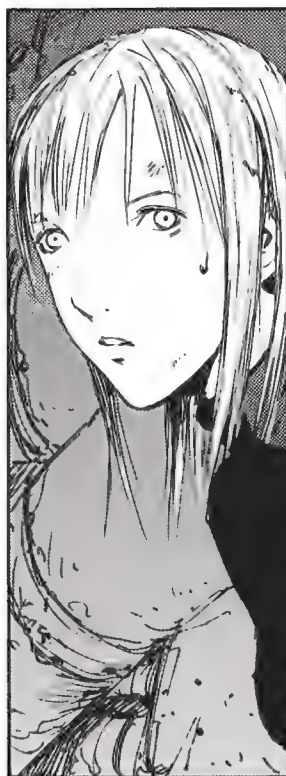
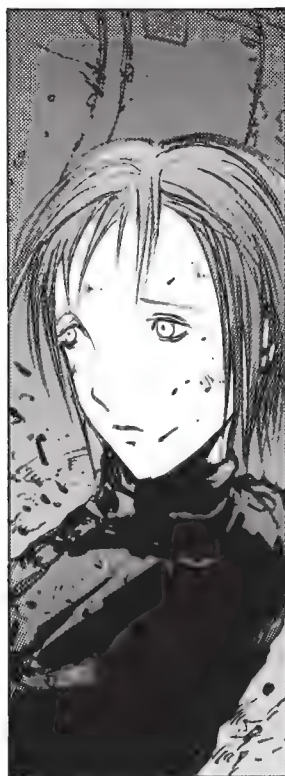
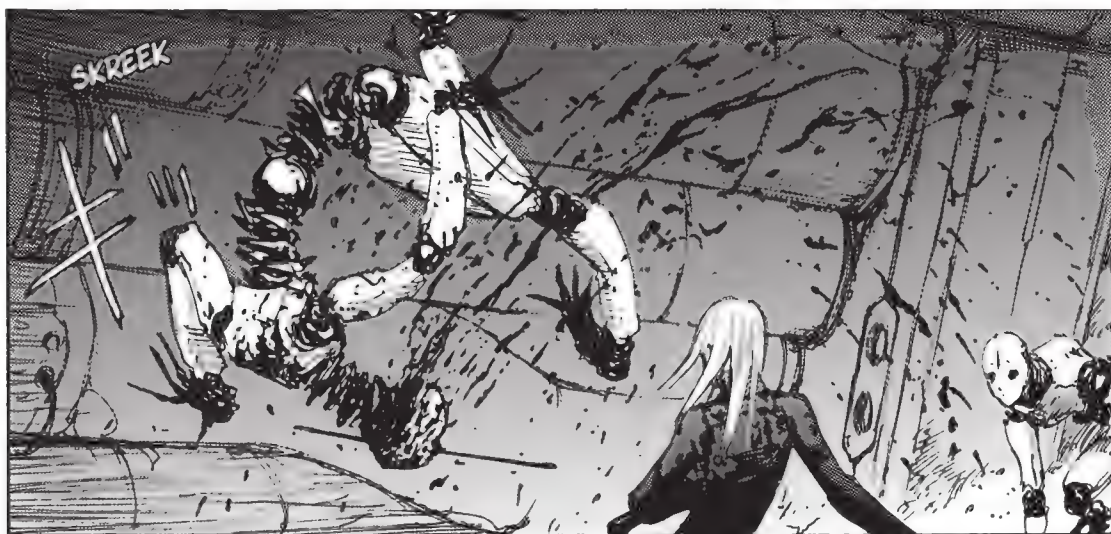
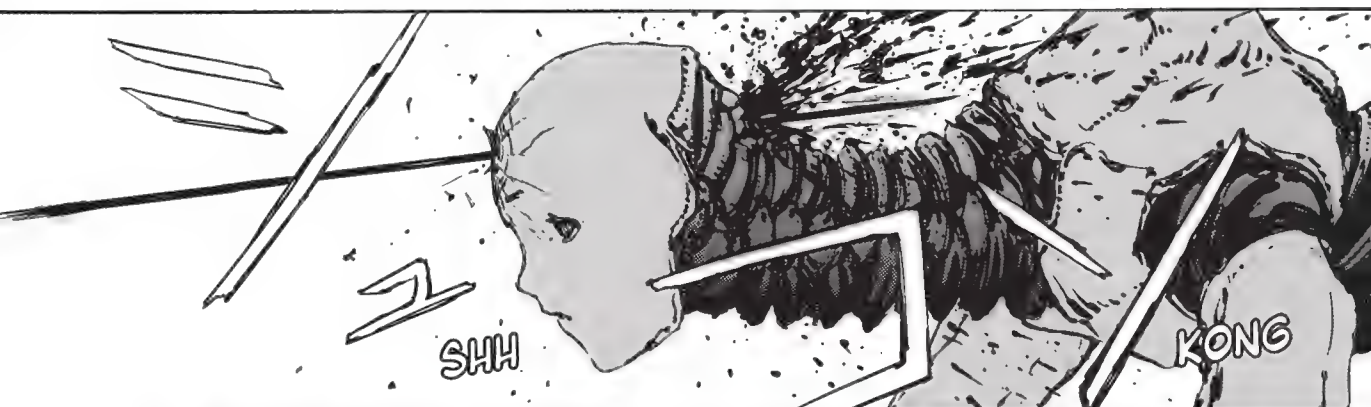


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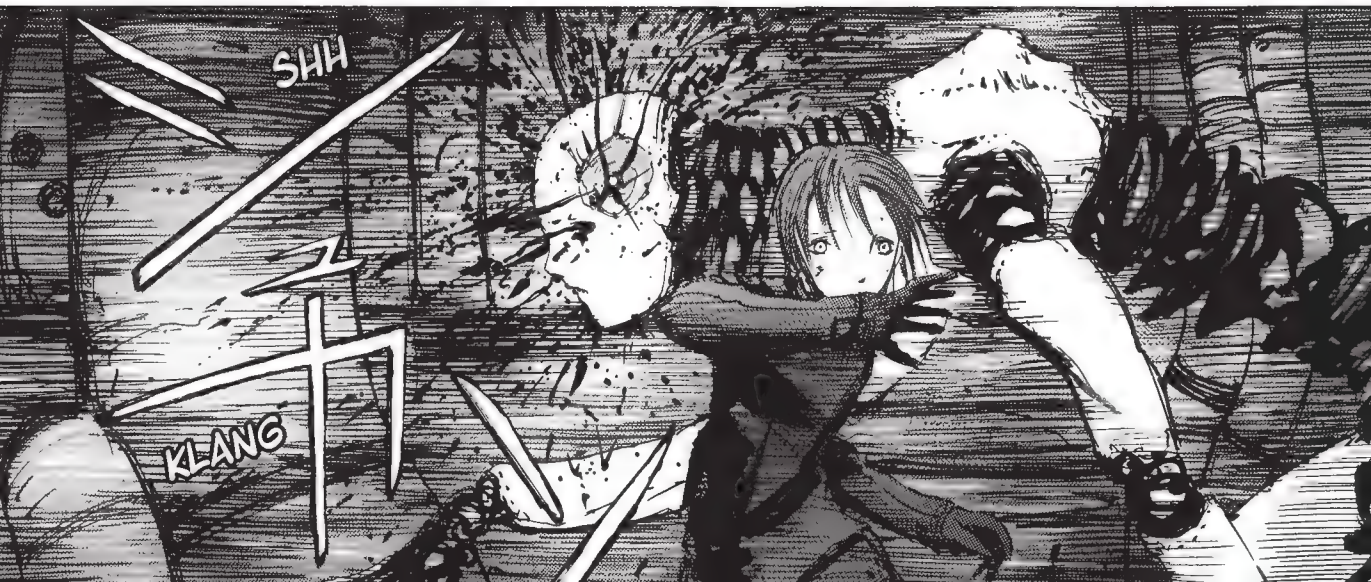
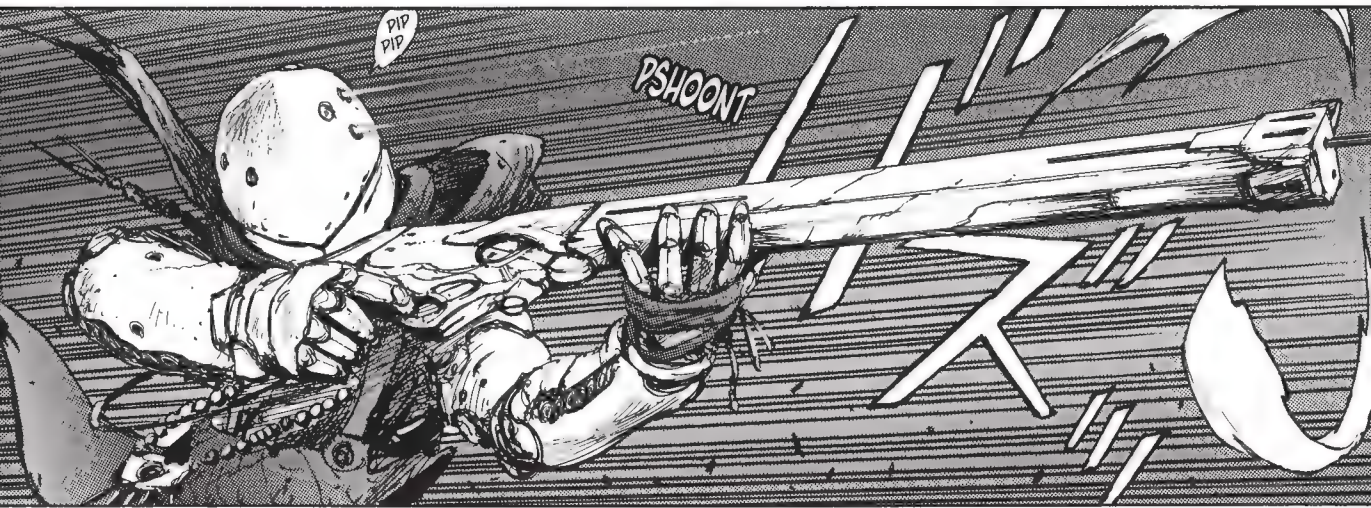
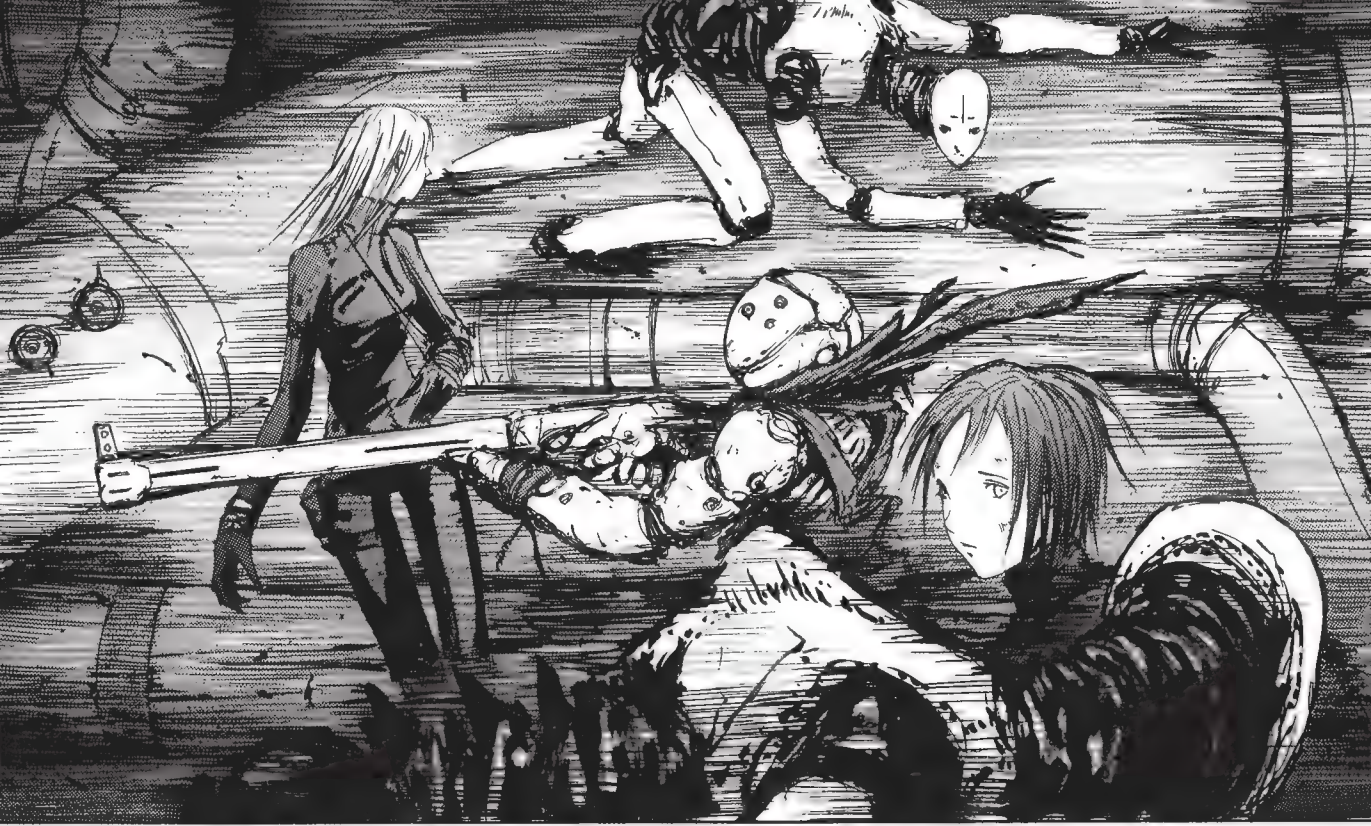


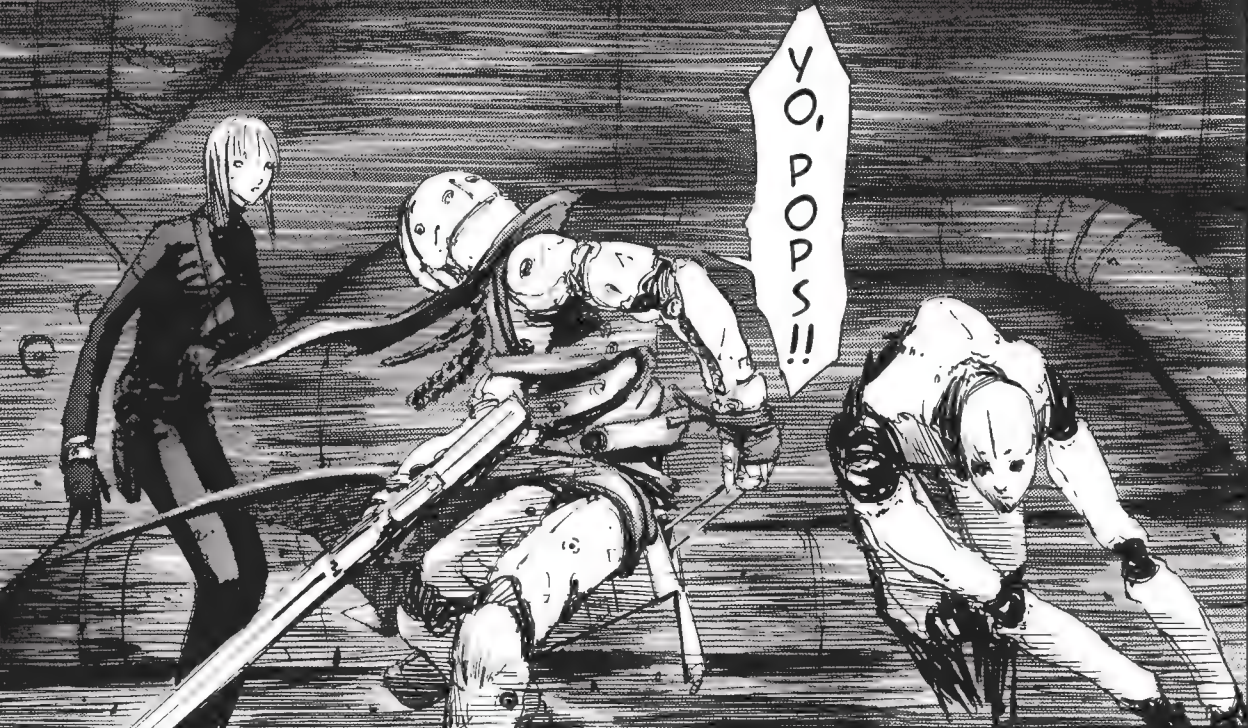


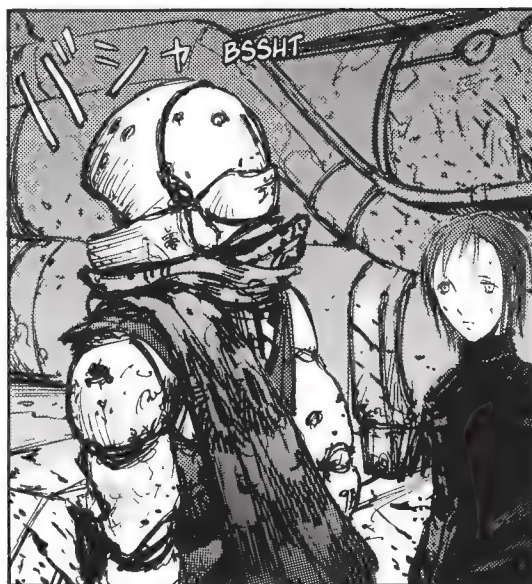
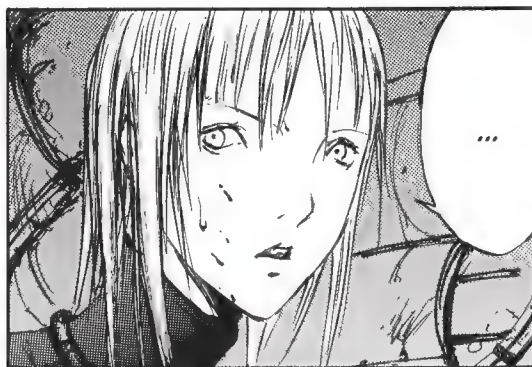
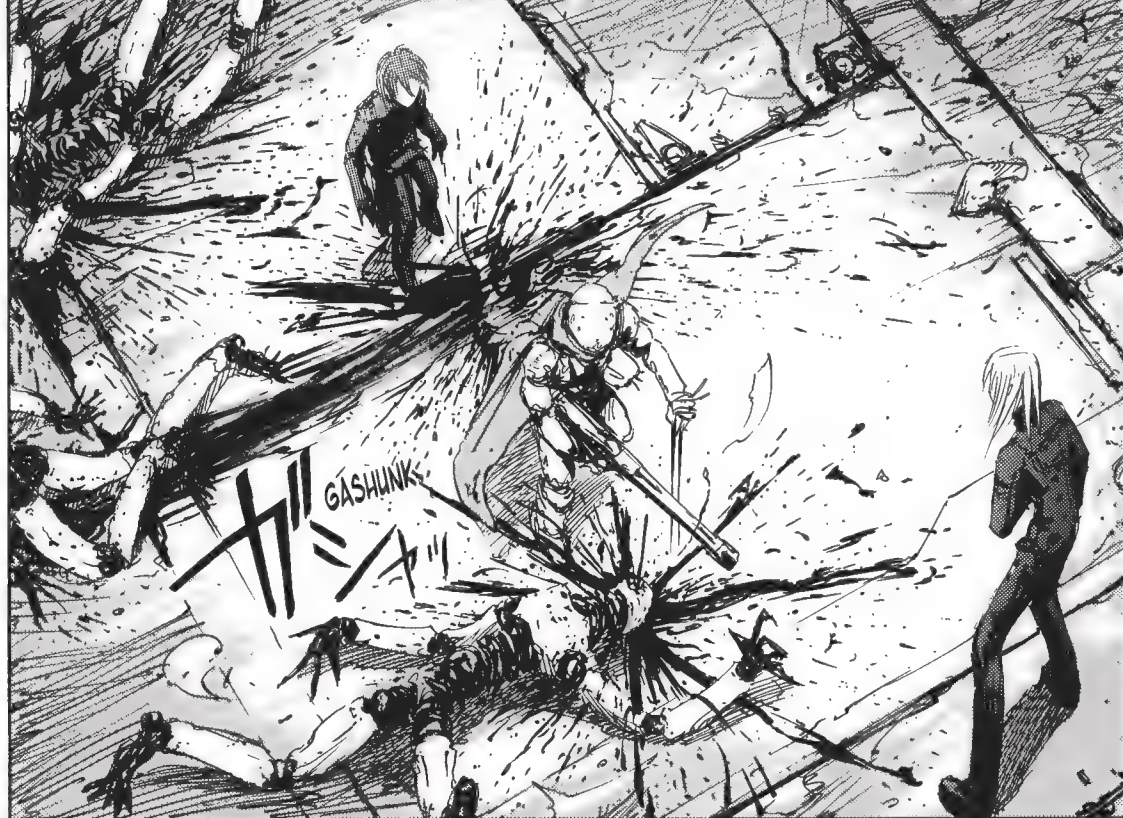


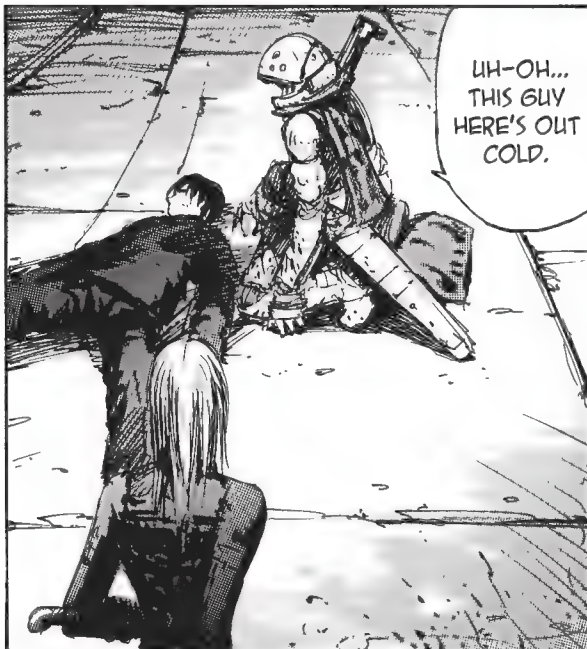
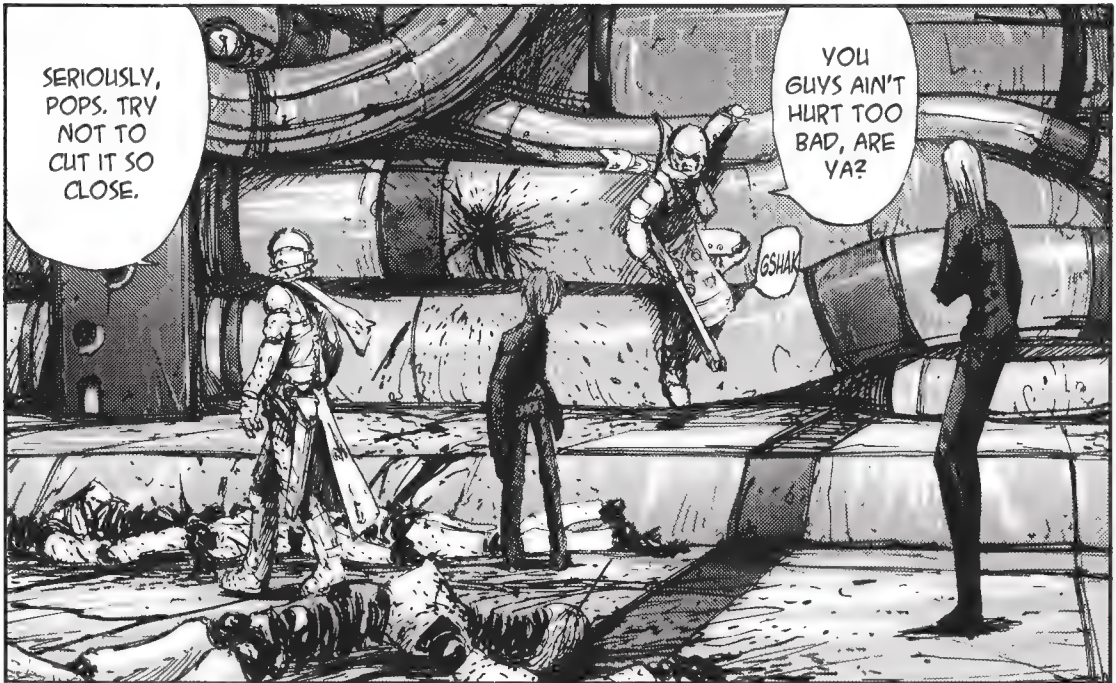


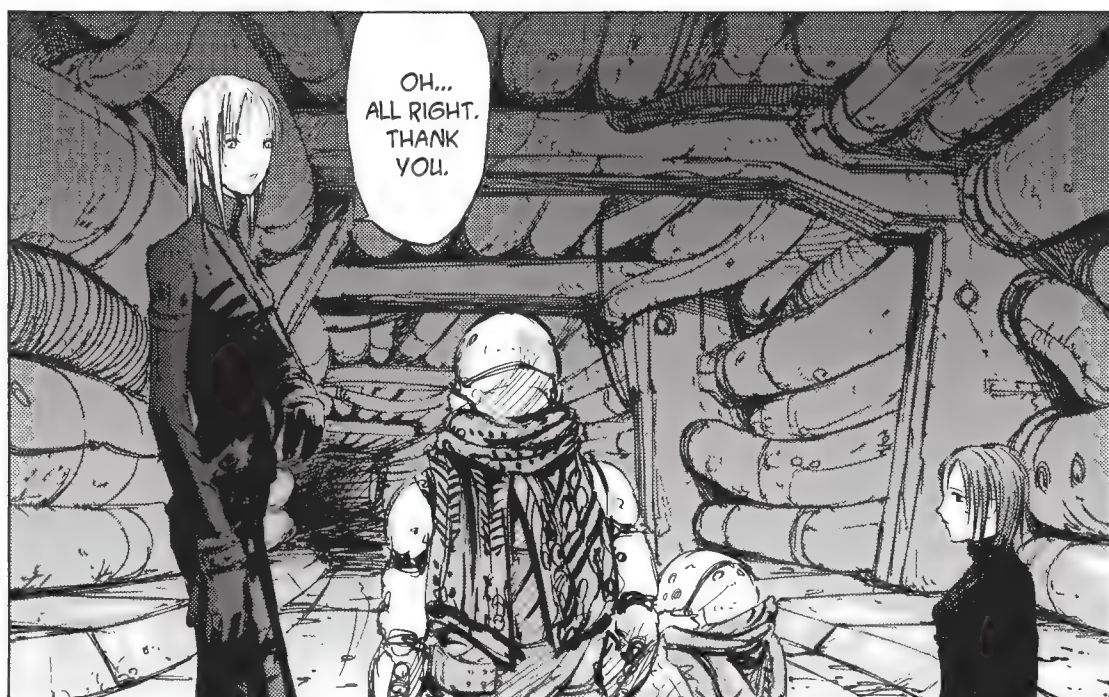


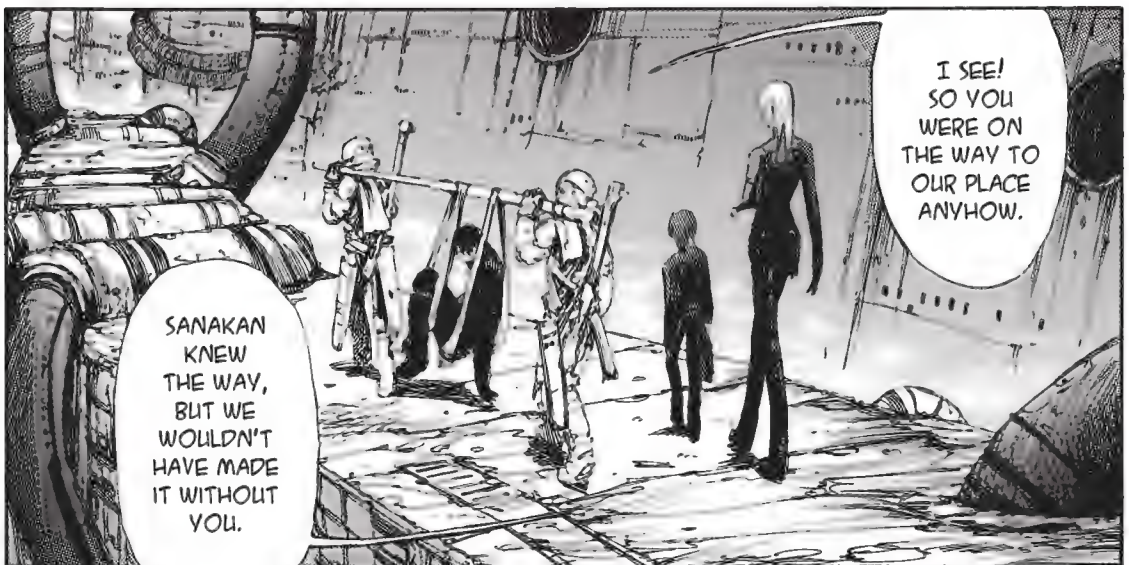
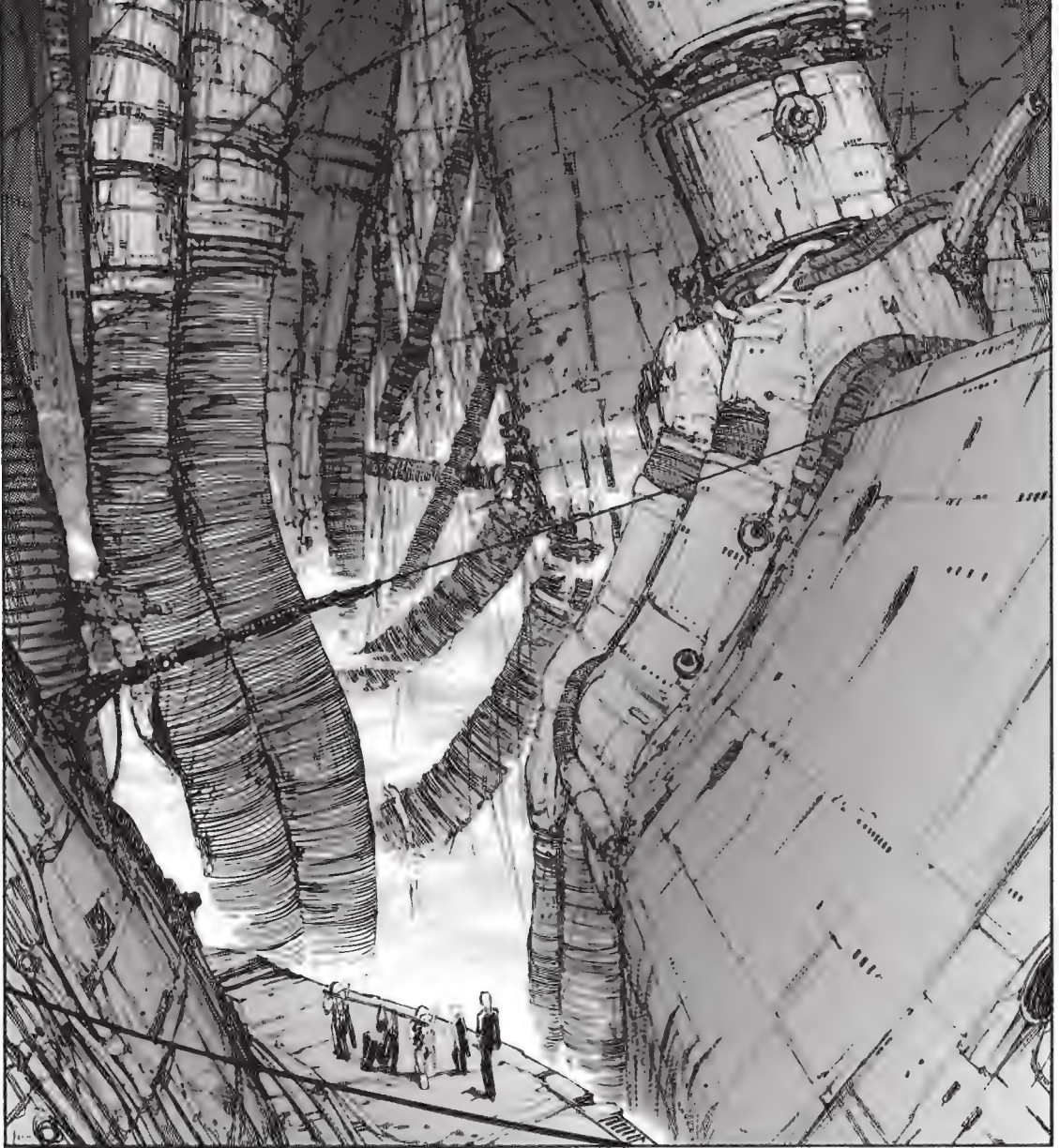


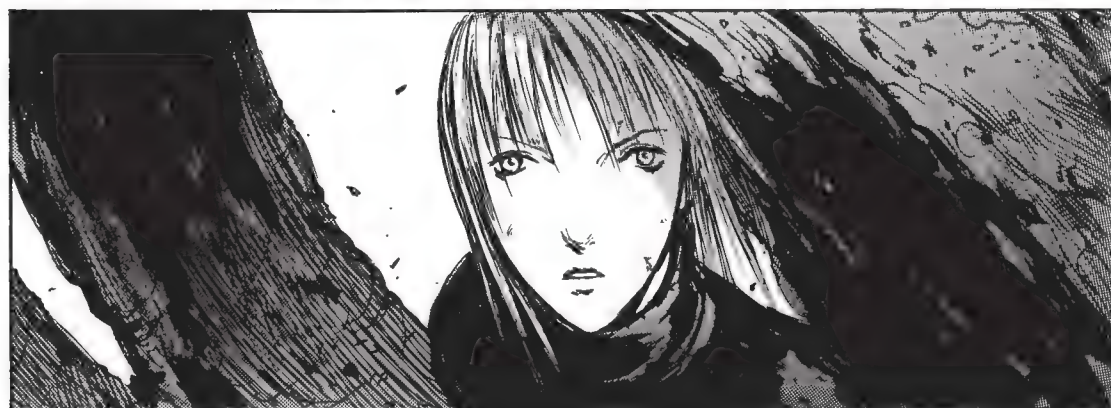
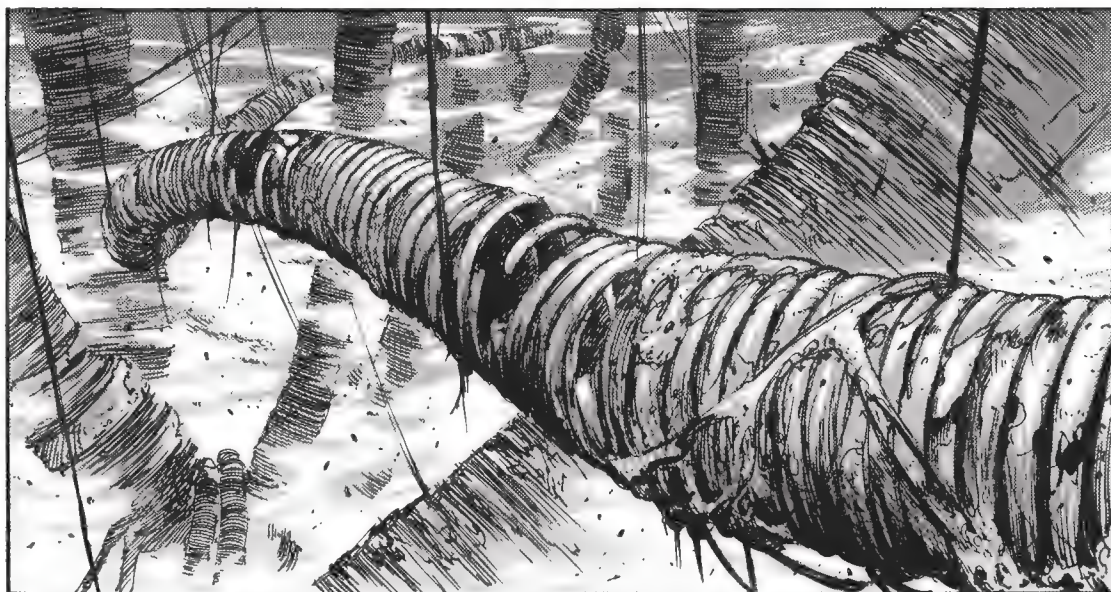


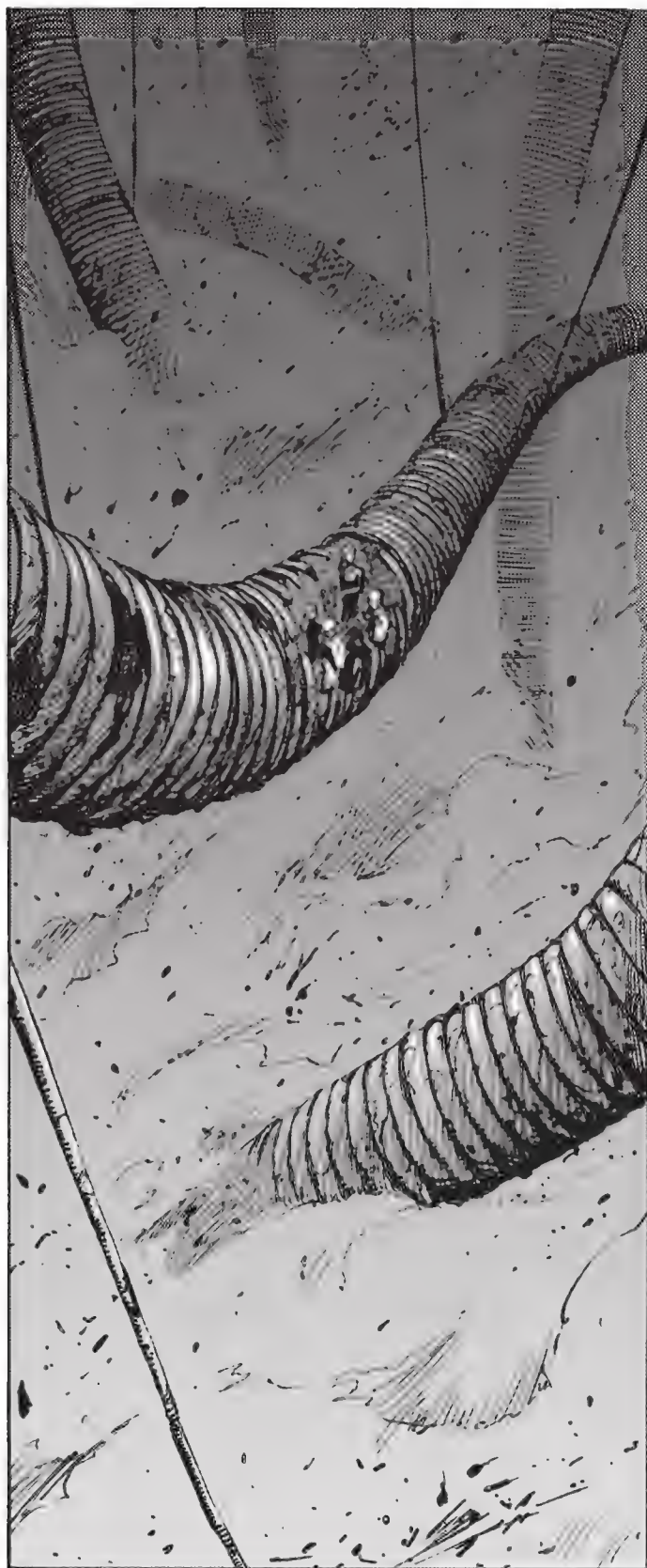










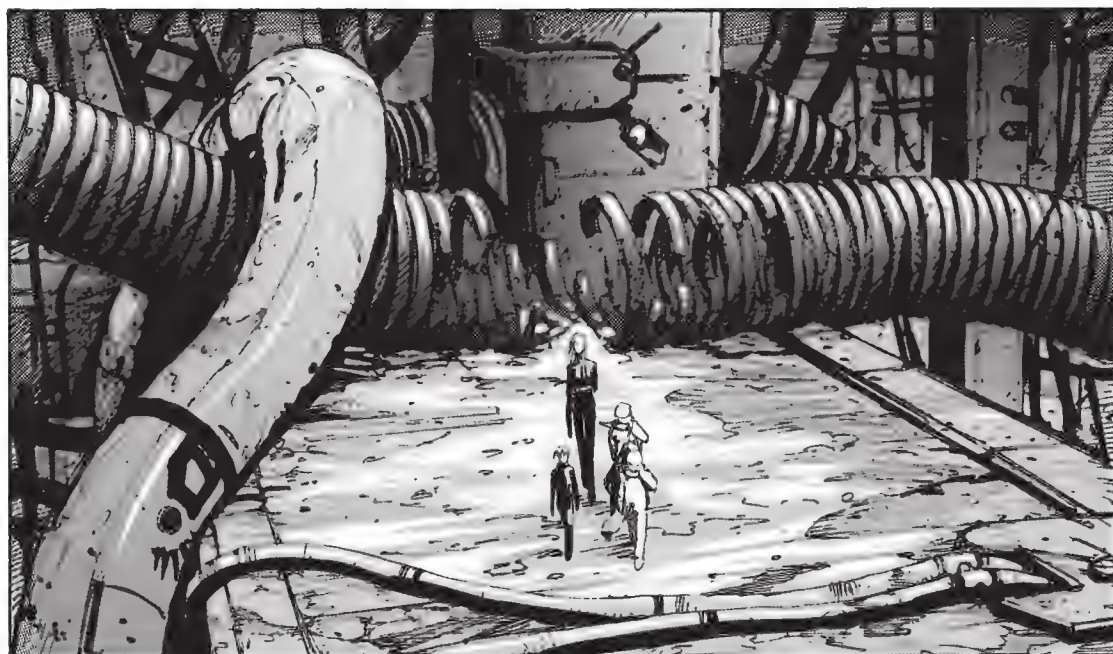


MISS CIBO, WE'LL KEEP TALKIN'
WHEN WE'RE SETTLED IN.
RIGHT NOW LET'S JUST
GET THROUGH THIS TUBE.
WE'RE AN EASY TARGET
FOR SAFEGUARDS OUT HERE.



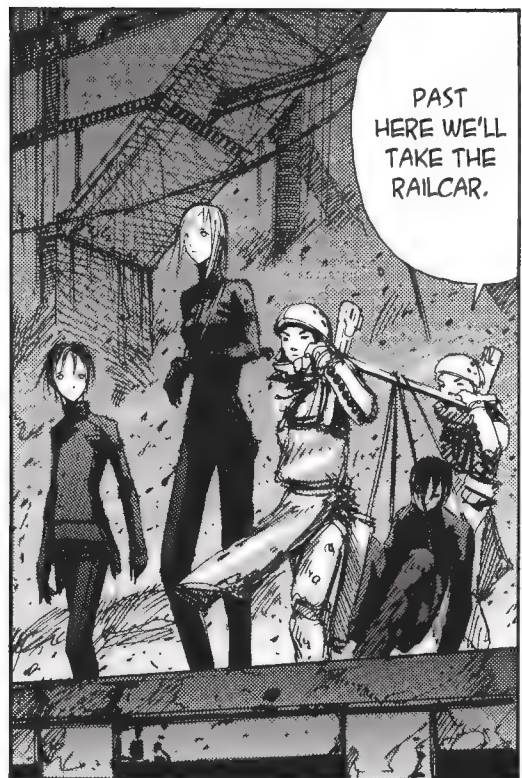
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PLANTERS

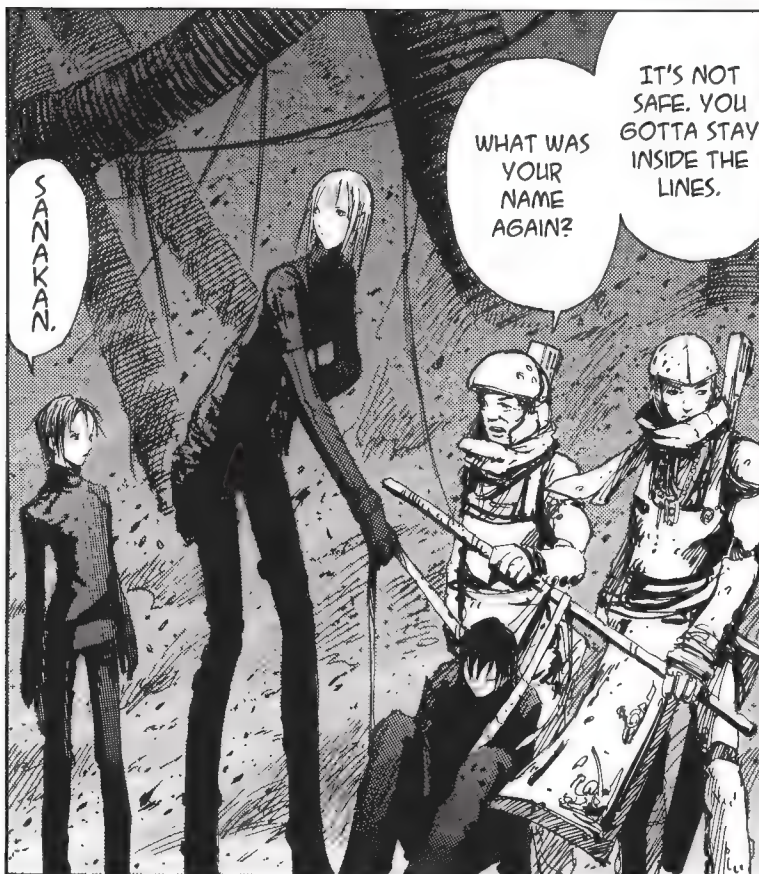




HEY!
DON'T
GO
THAT
WAY!!



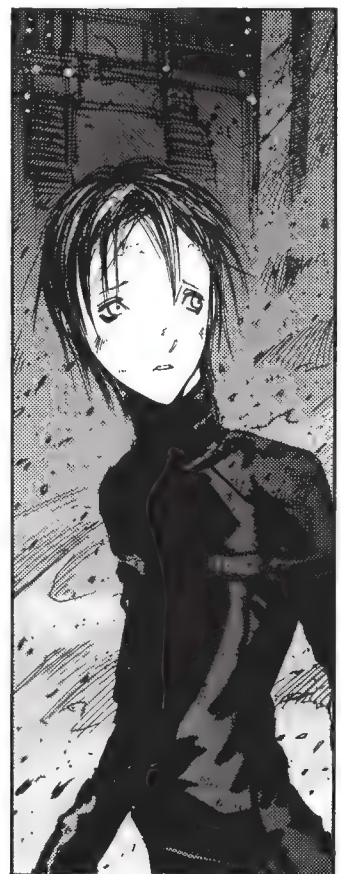
PAST
HERE WE'LL
TAKE THE
RAILCAR.

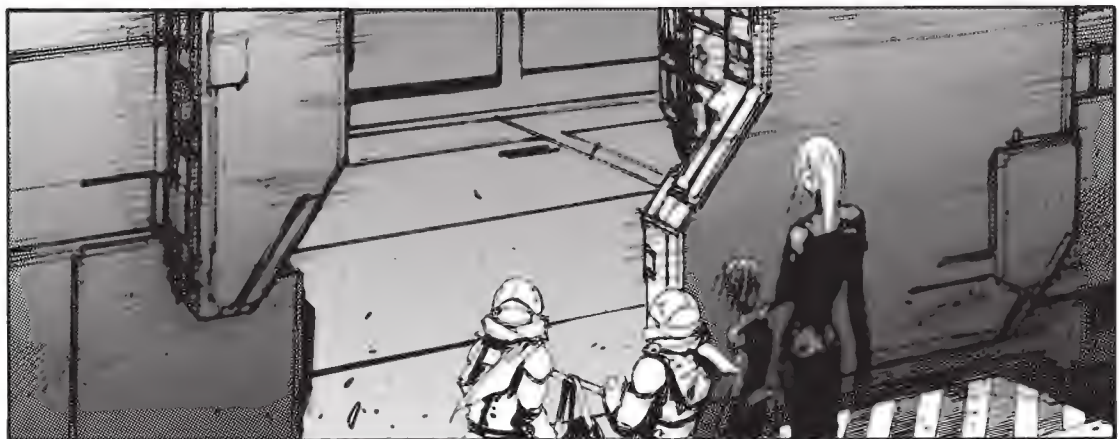
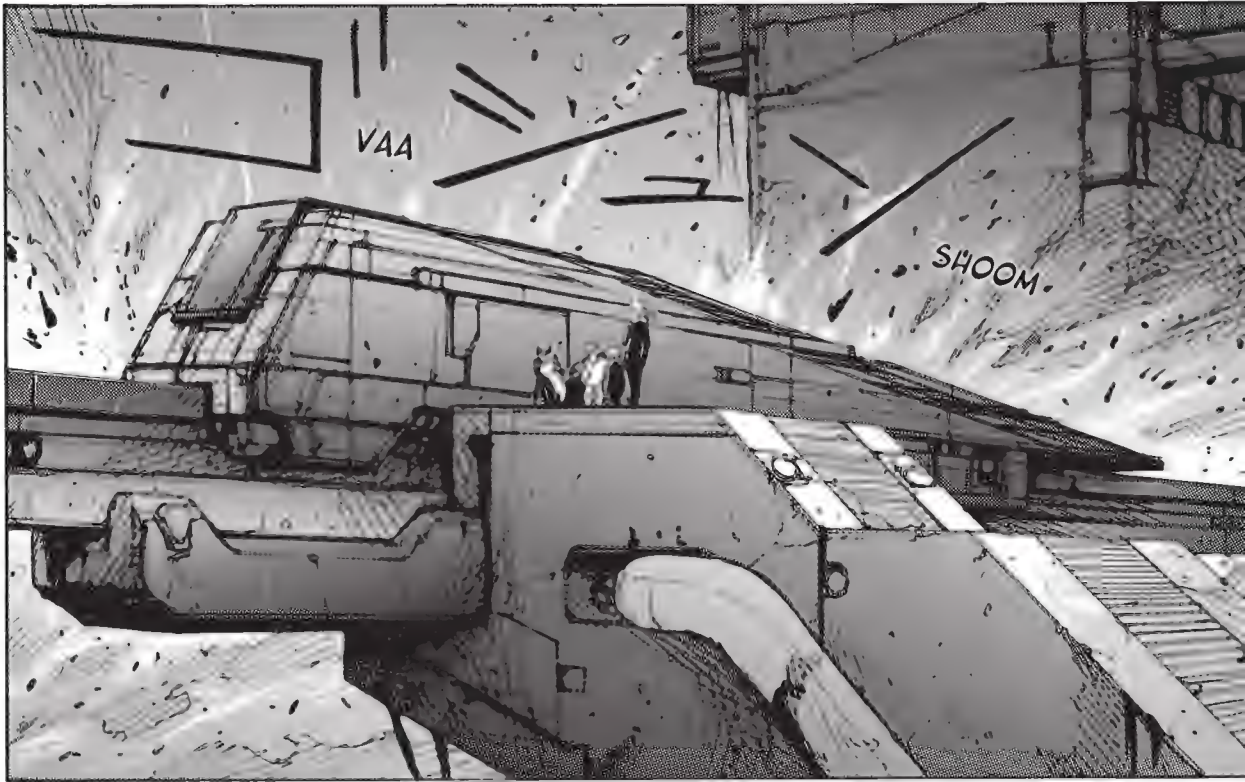
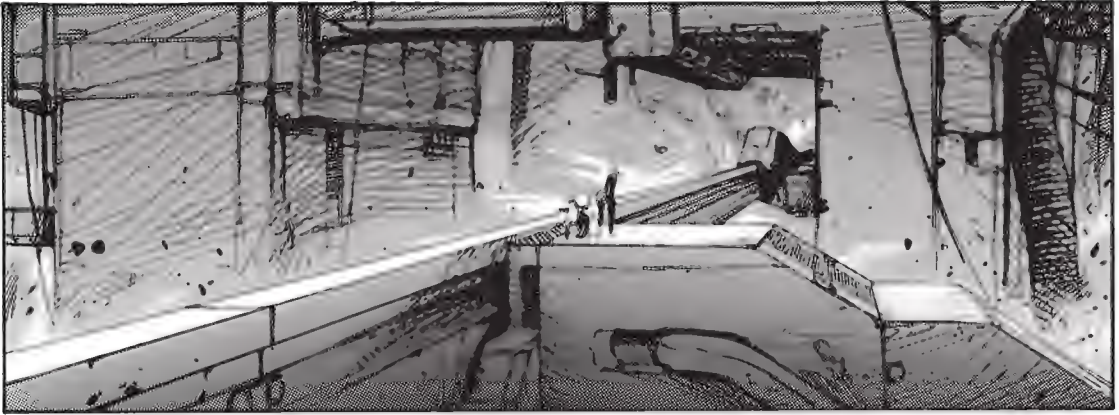


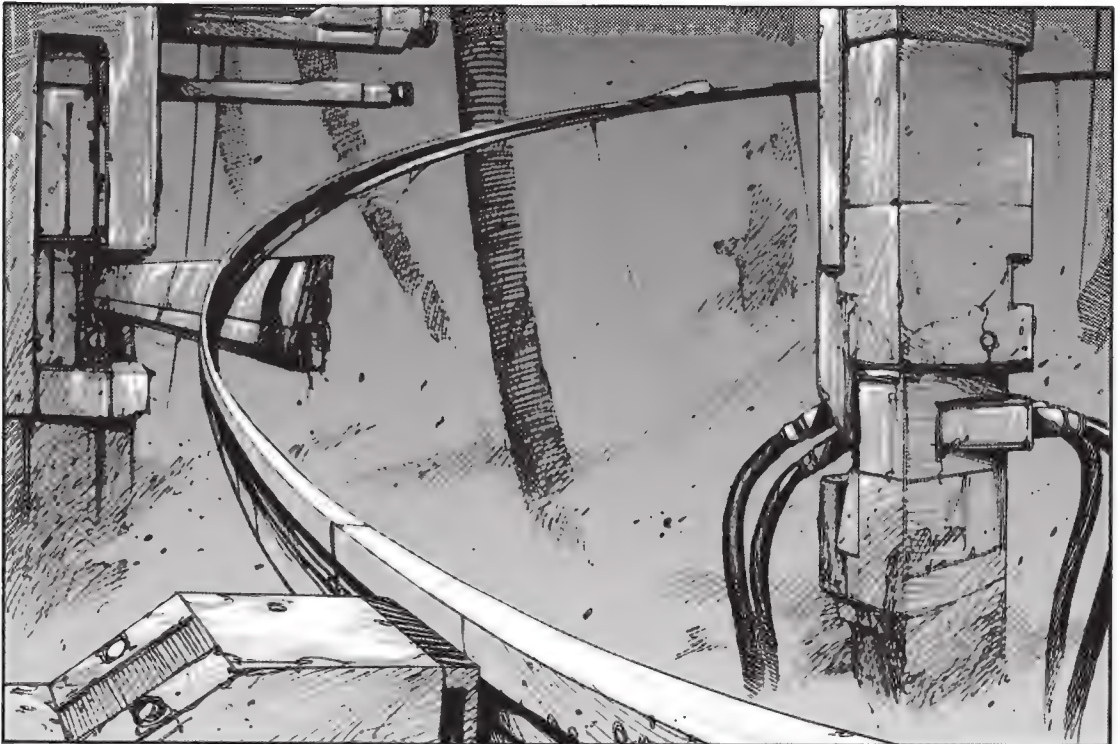
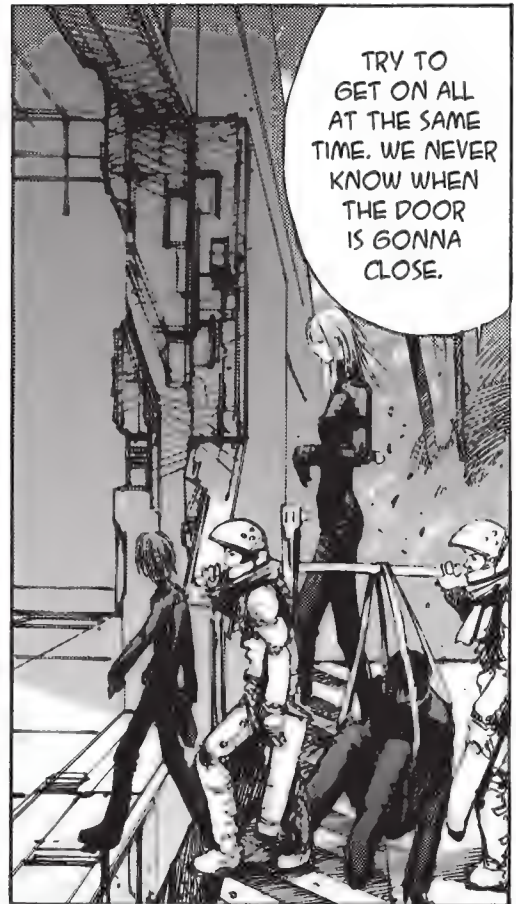
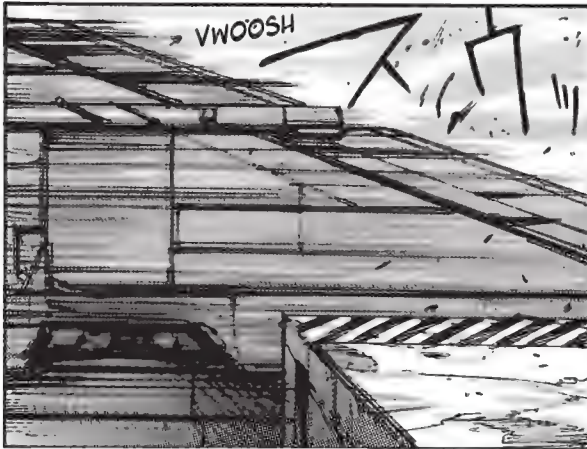
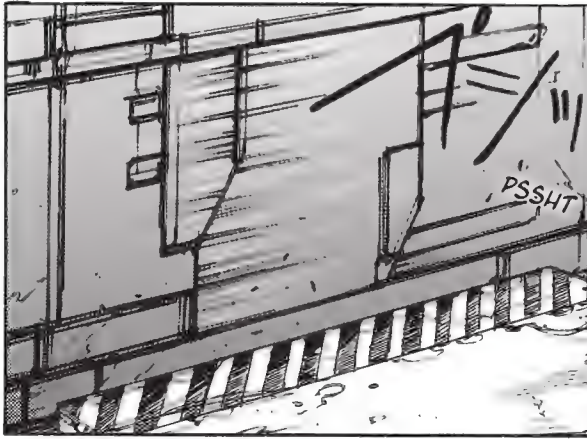
SANAKA.

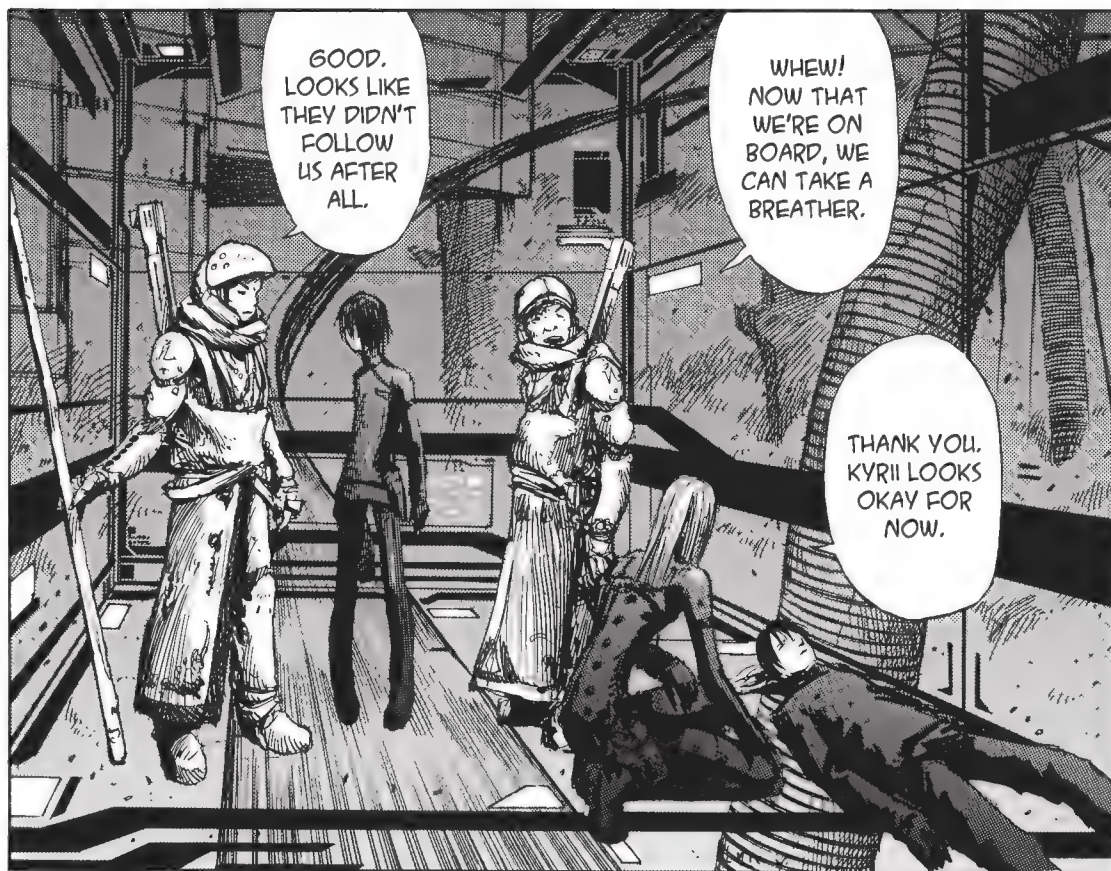
WHAT WAS
YOUR
NAME
AGAIN?

IT'S NOT
SAFE. YOU
GOTTA STAY
INSIDE THE
LINES.









GOOD.
LOOKS LIKE
THEY DIDN'T
FOLLOW
US AFTER
ALL.

WHEW!
NOW THAT
WE'RE ON
BOARD, WE
CAN TAKE A
BREATHER.

THANK YOU.
KYRIL LOOKS
OKAY FOR
NOW.

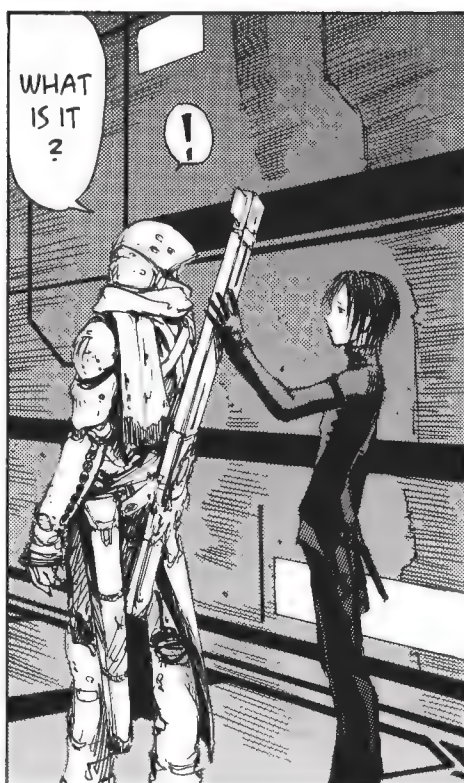


YOUR GUN.
IT PIERCED THE
EXTERMINATORS'
EXOSKELETONS.
DO ALL OF YOU
HAVE THESE?

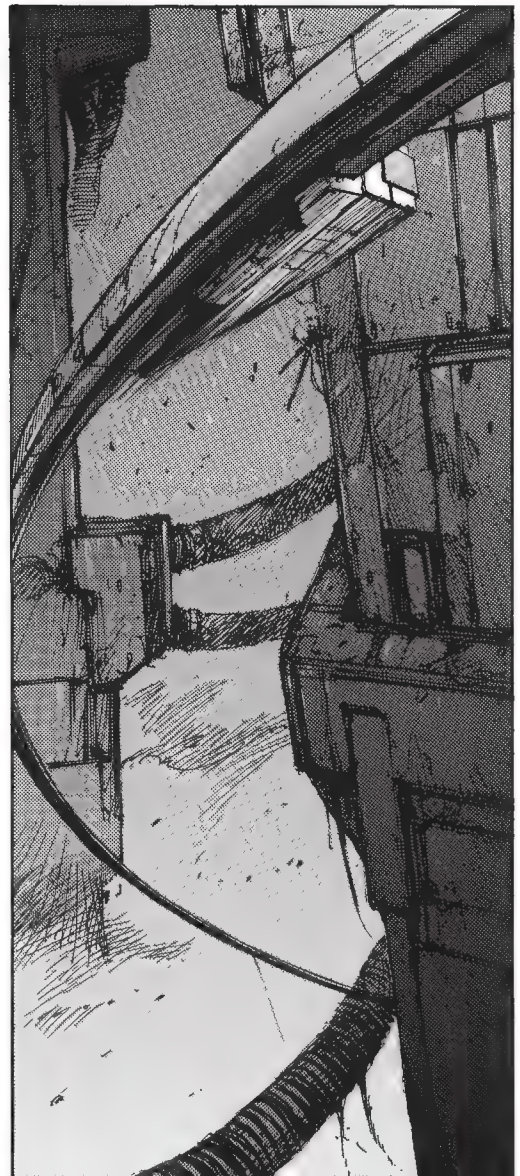
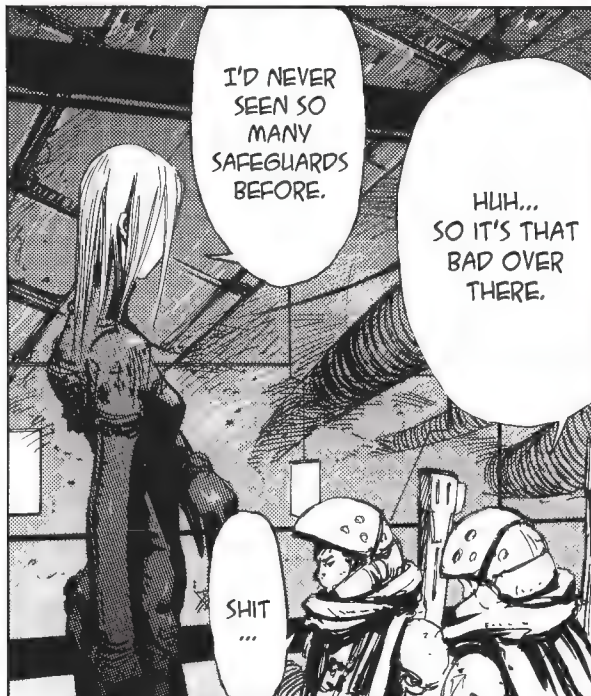
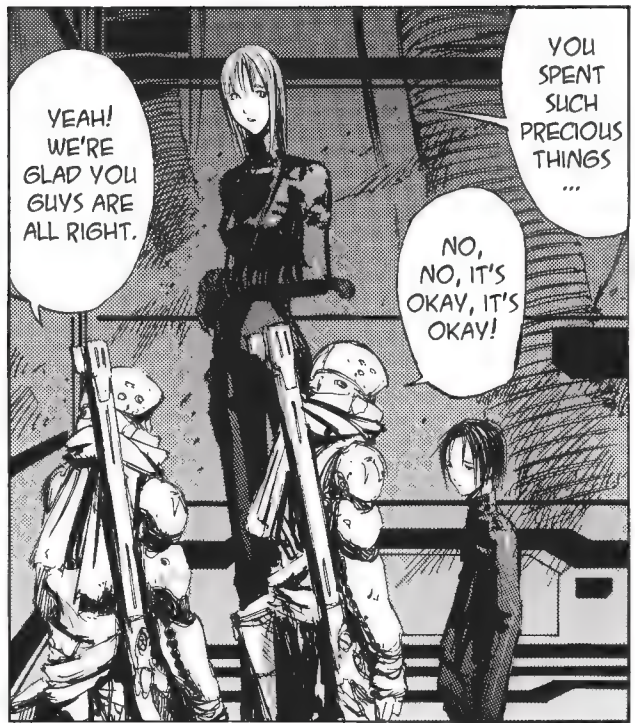


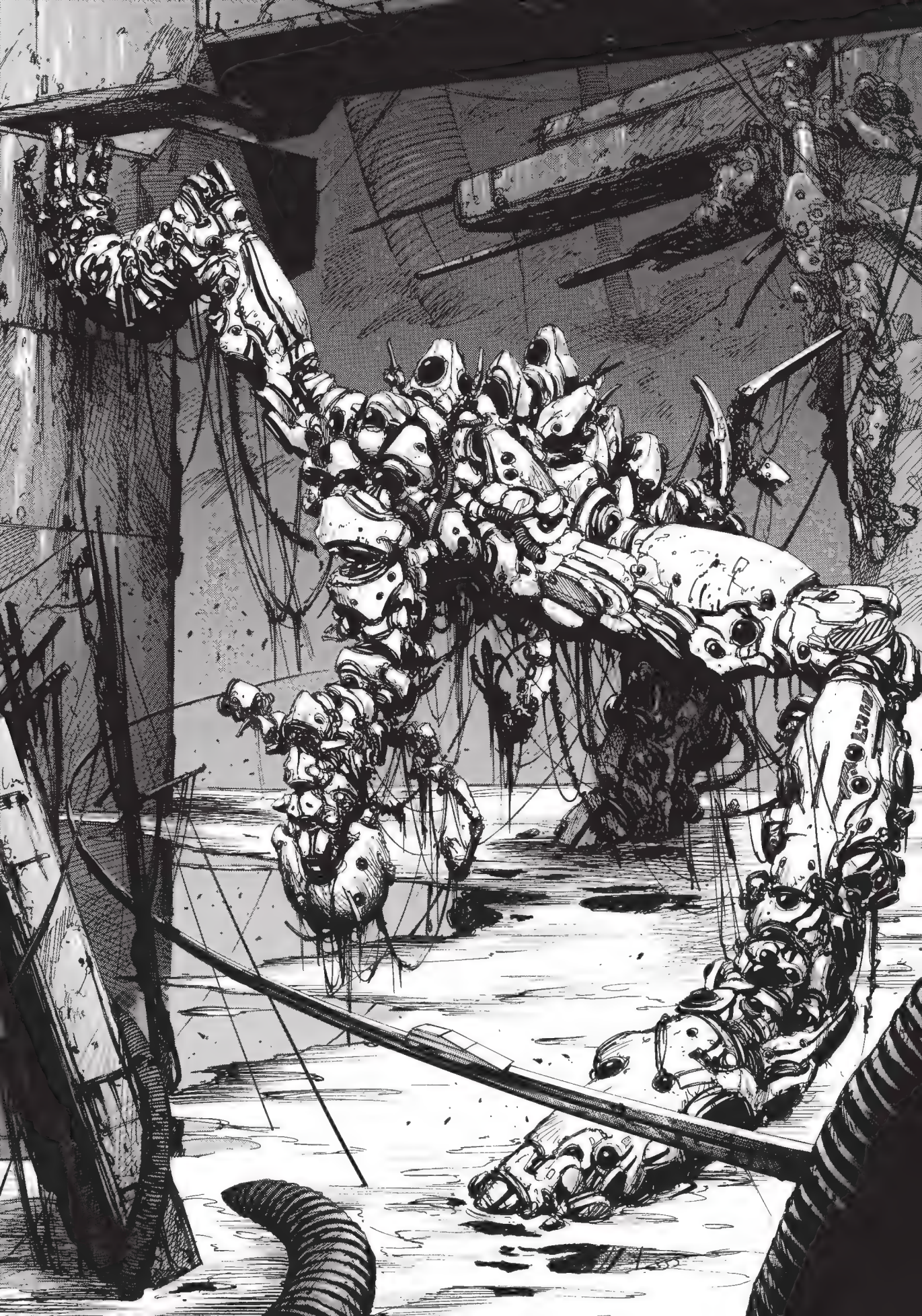
THE PEOPLE
WHO CAN
MAKE THE
GUNS AND
AMMO ARE
ALL GONE.

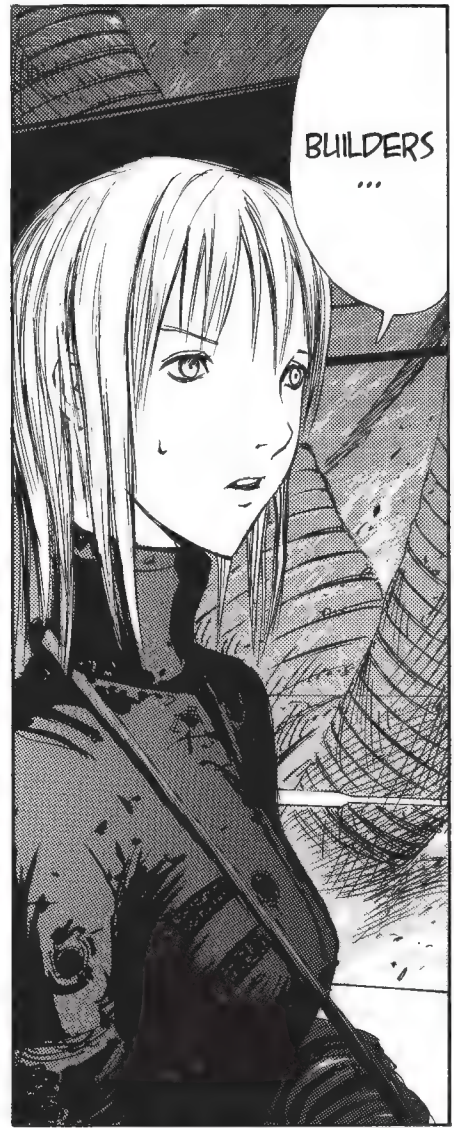
PRETTY
COOL,
HUH? BUT
WE DON'T
HAVE MANY
LEFT THAT
WORK.

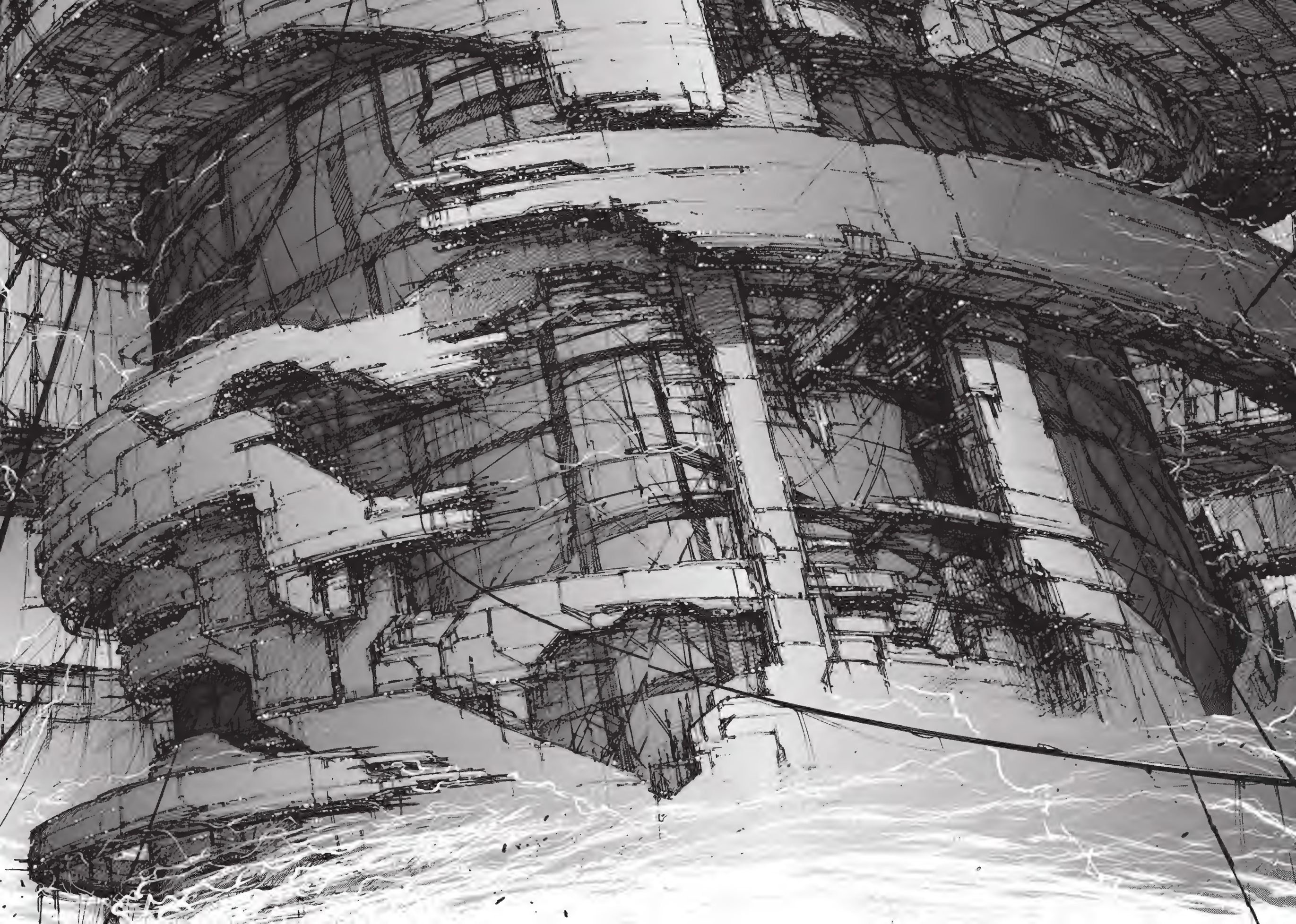


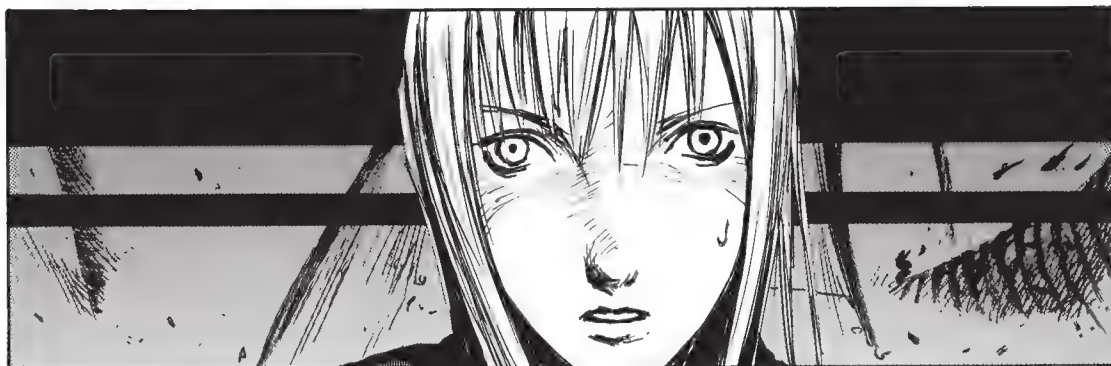
WHAT
IS IT
?





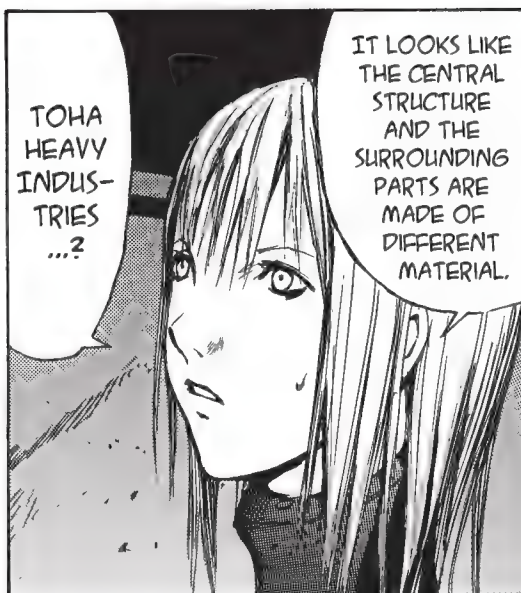






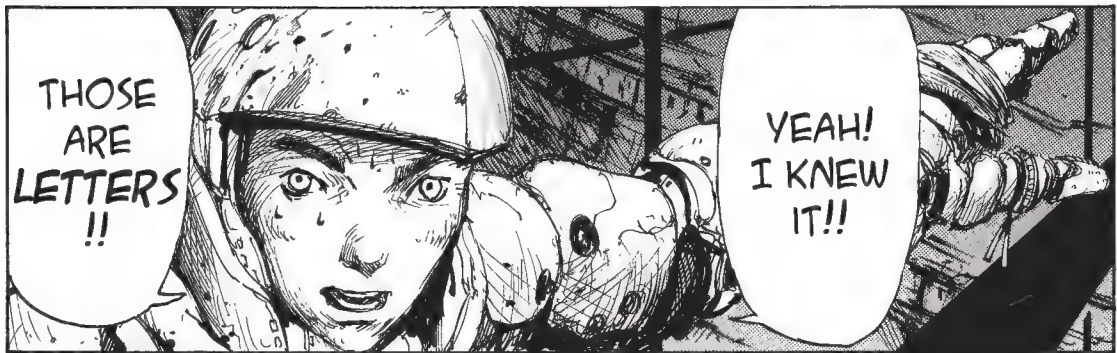
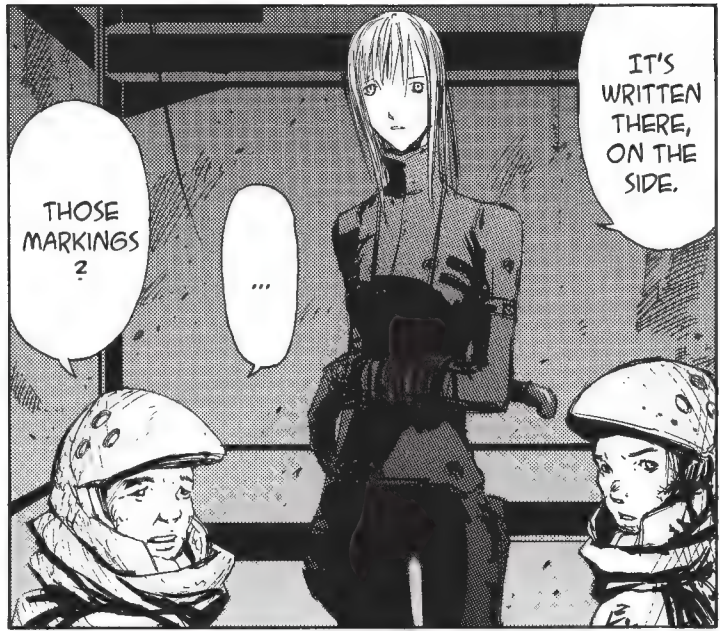
HOW'D
YOU
KNOW
THAT,
MISS
CIBO?

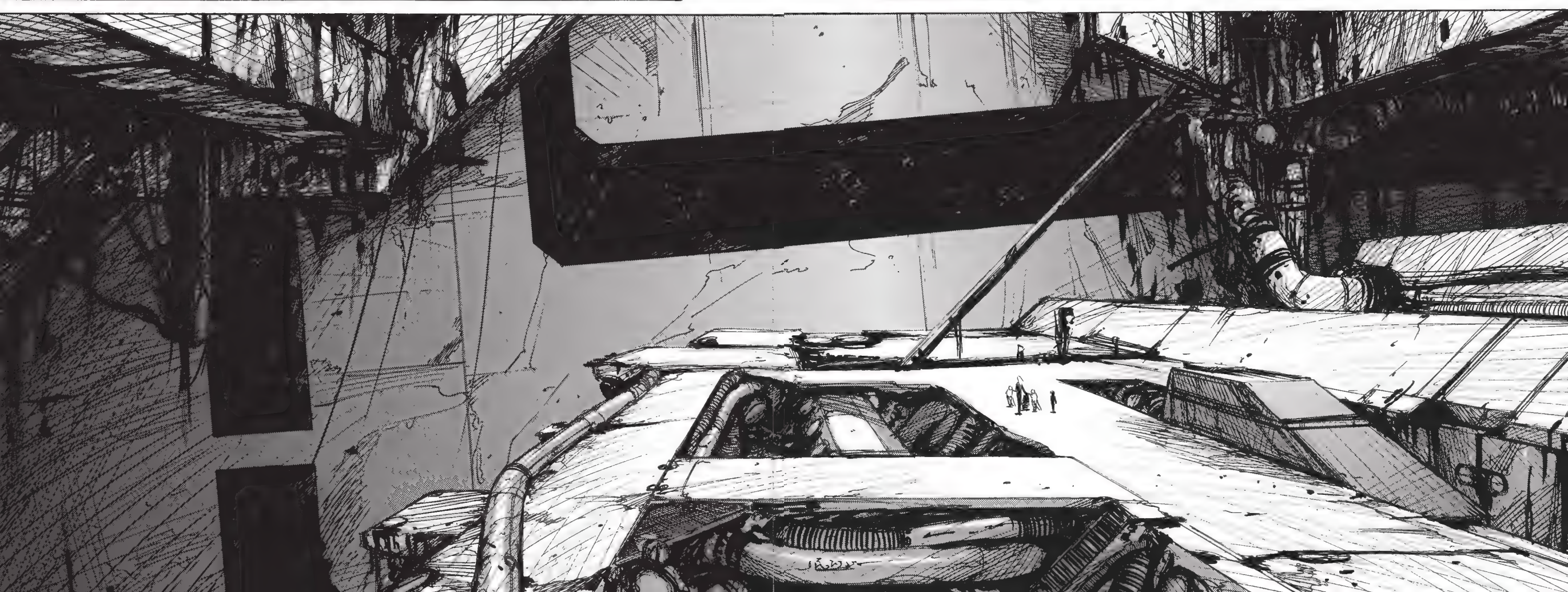
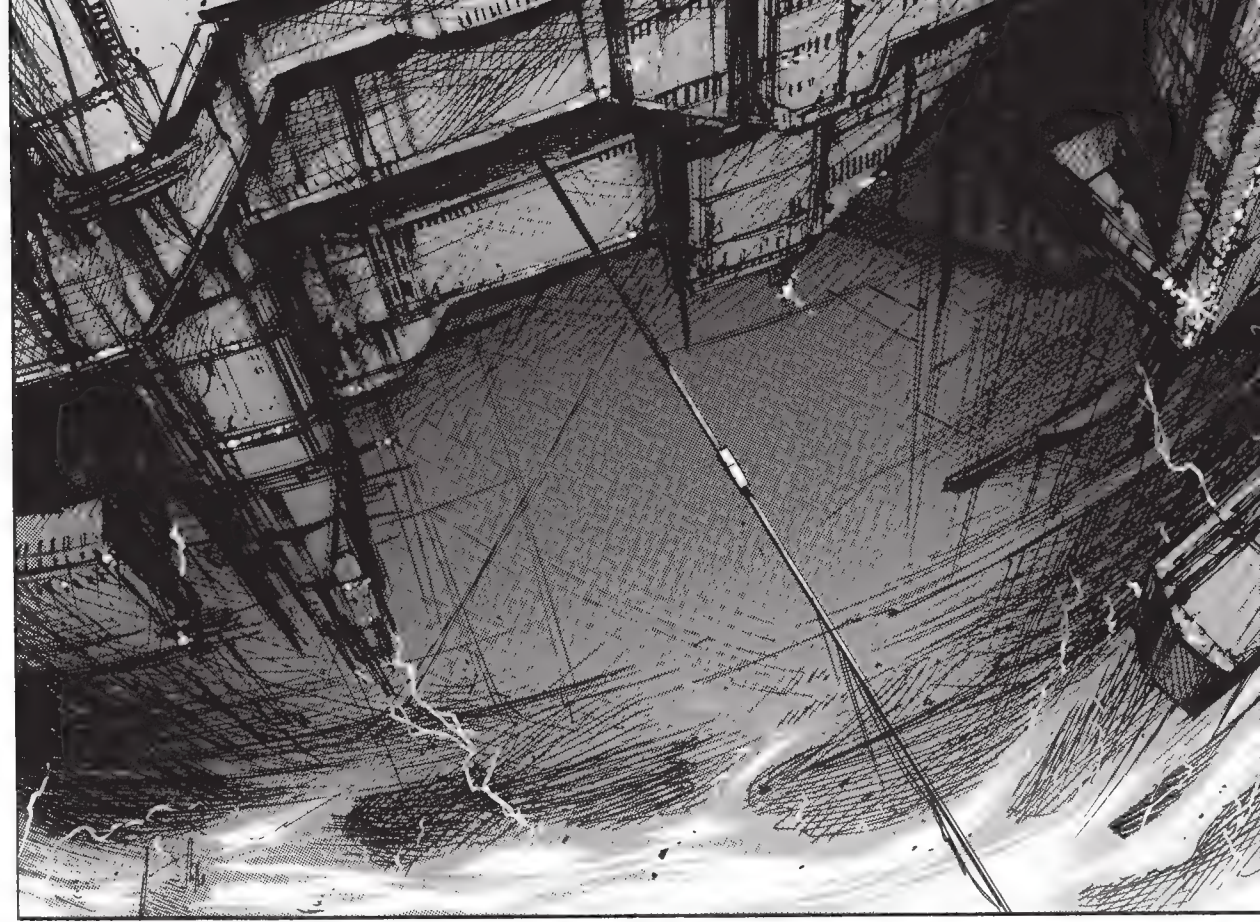
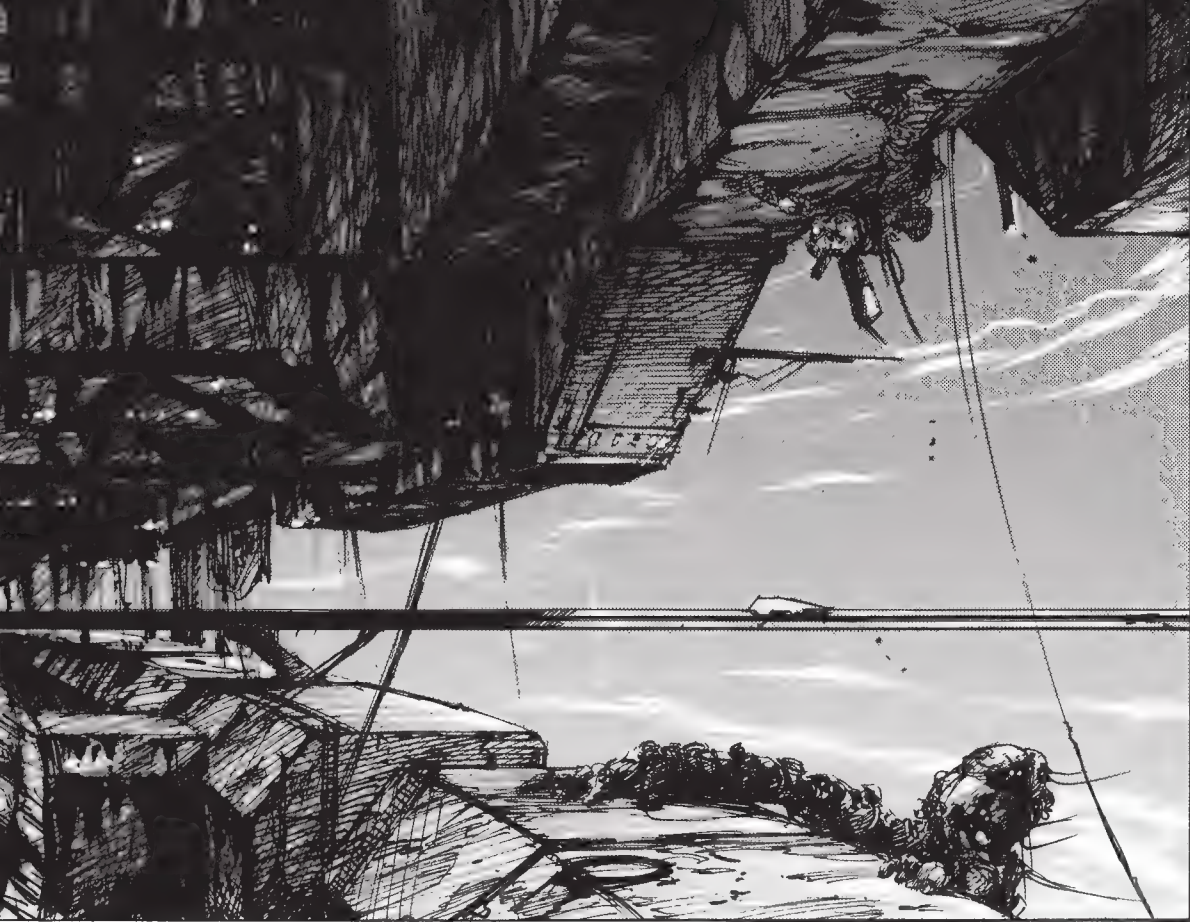
RIGHT.
THAT'S
WHAT
WE
CALL
IT.



TOHA
HEAVY
INDUS-
TRIES
...?

IT LOOKS LIKE
THE CENTRAL
STRUCTURE
AND THE
SURROUNDING
PARTS ARE
MADE OF
DIFFERENT
MATERIAL.







OUR
ANCESTORS
WERE CALLED
PLANTERS. A
LONG, LONG
TIME AGO, THEY
LIVED INSIDE
TOHA HEAVY
INDUSTRIES.



NOBODY
REMEMBERS
WHAT THEY
DID.

PLANTERS?
DID THEY
PLANT
THINGS?



SOME
NUMBER OF
GENERATIONS
BEFORE US,
THEY CAME
BACK OUT
HERE,
THOUGH.

SO THEY
STARTED
LIVING IN
THESE
LAYERED
RESIDENTIAL
SECTORS ALL
AROUND
IT.

AND THEN,
NO MATTER
WHAT THEY
DID, THEY
COULDN'T
GET INSIDE
AGAIN.

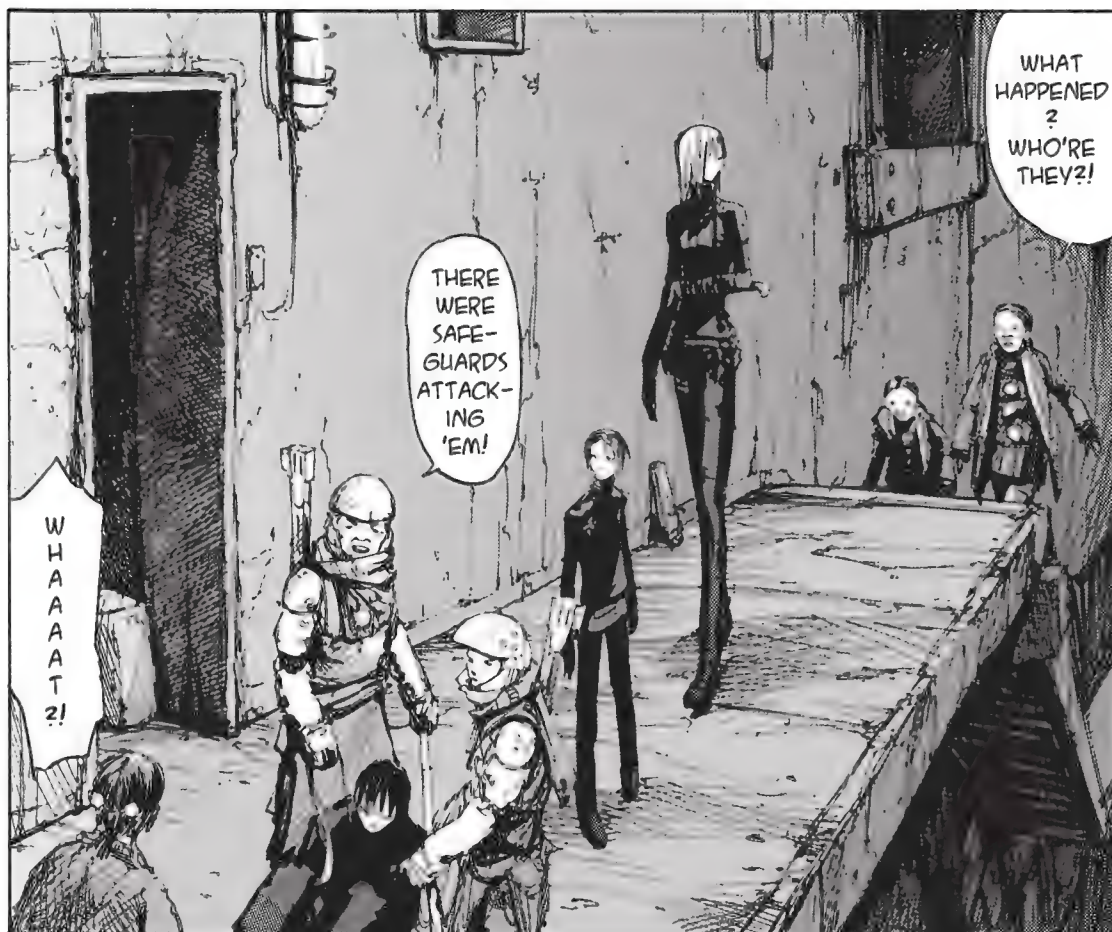
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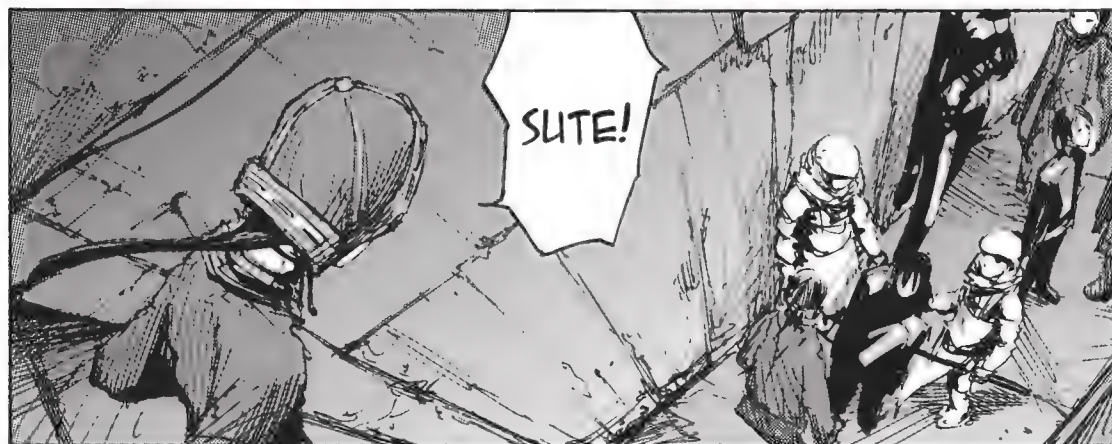
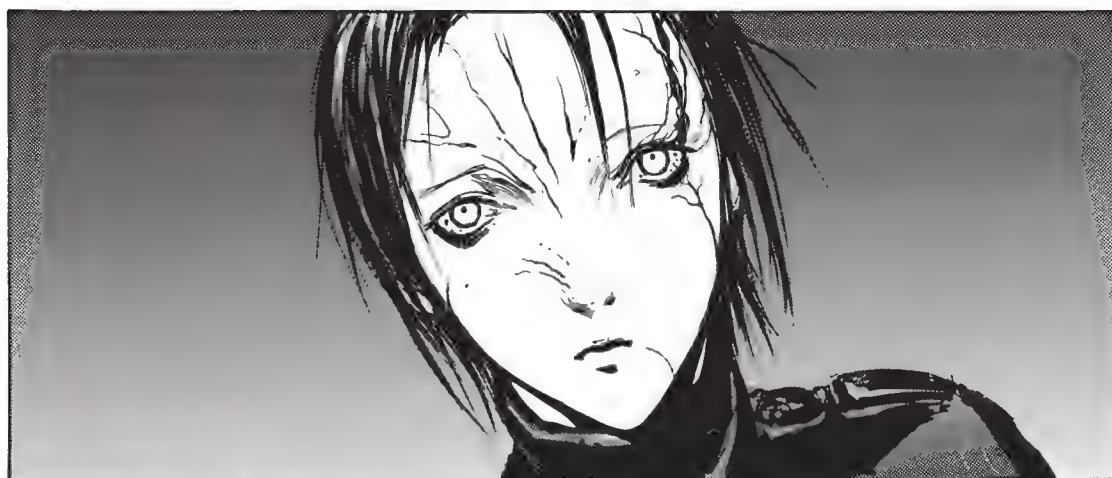
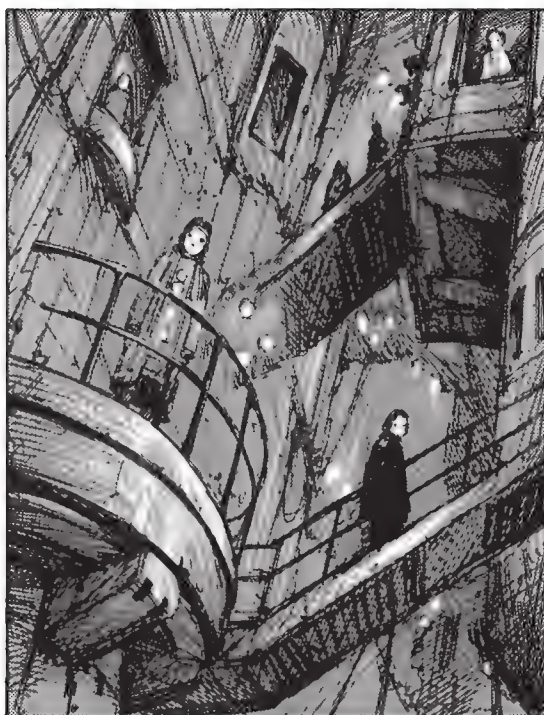
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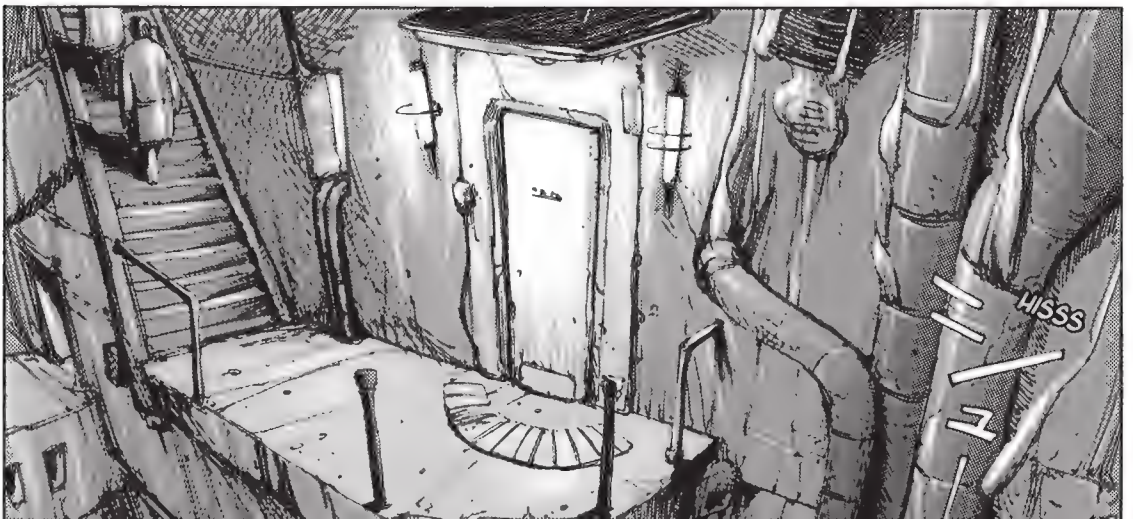
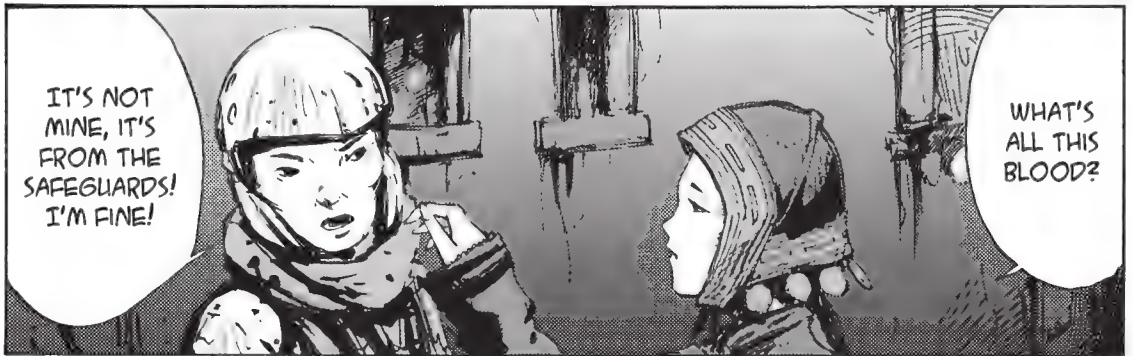
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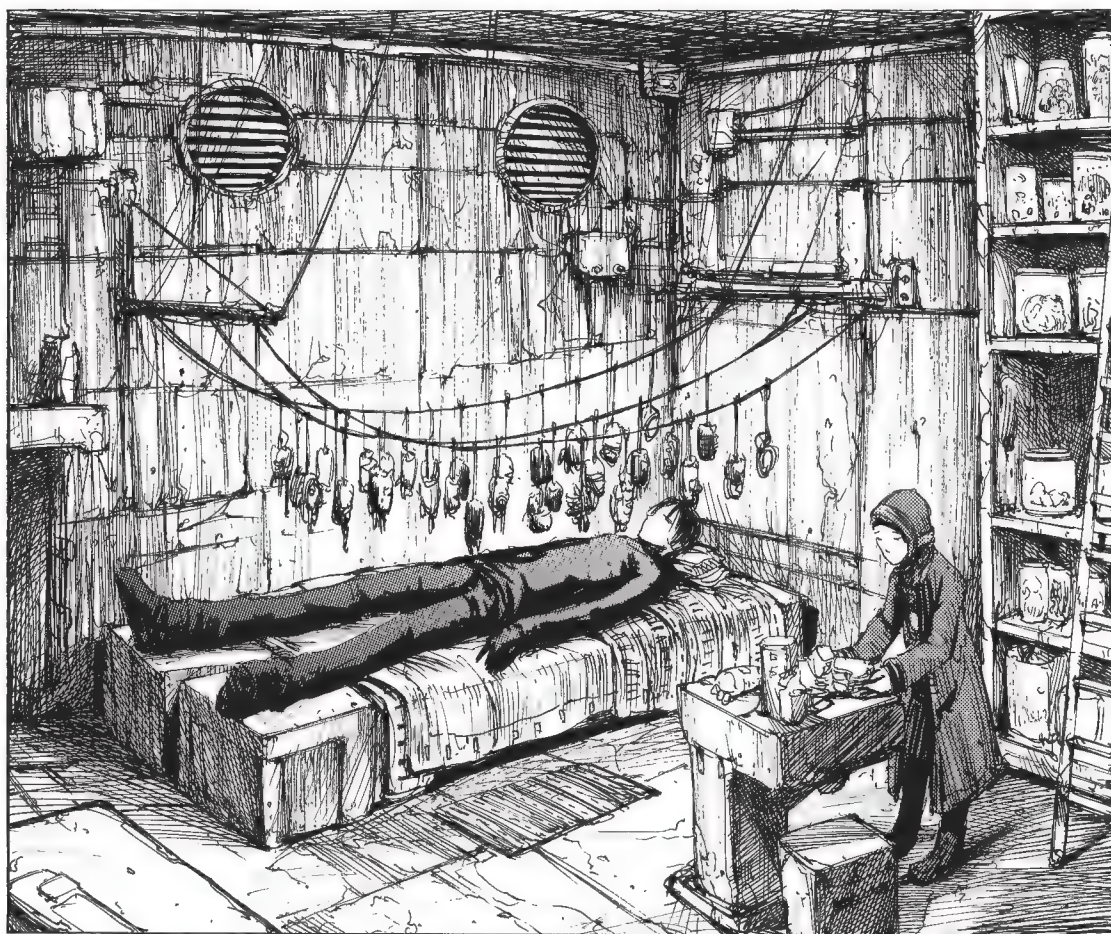


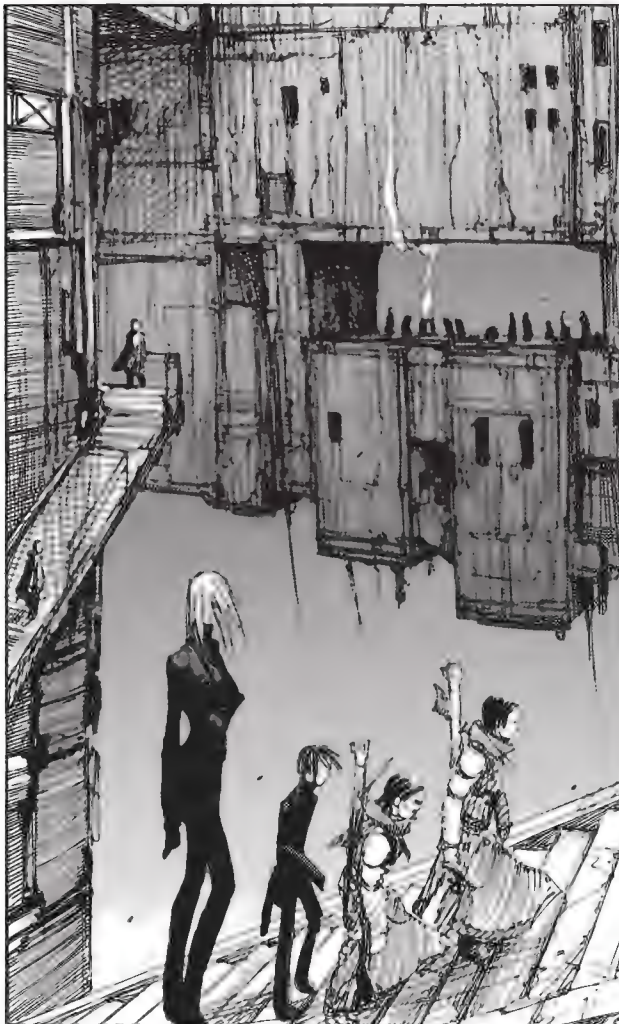
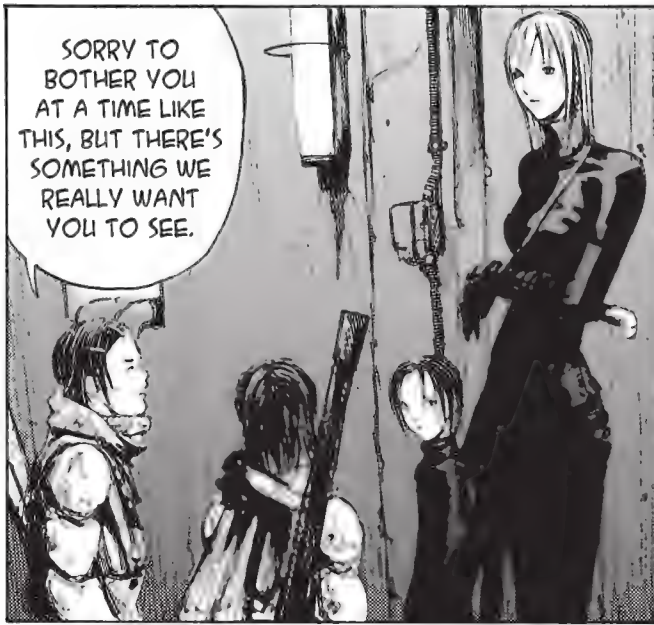


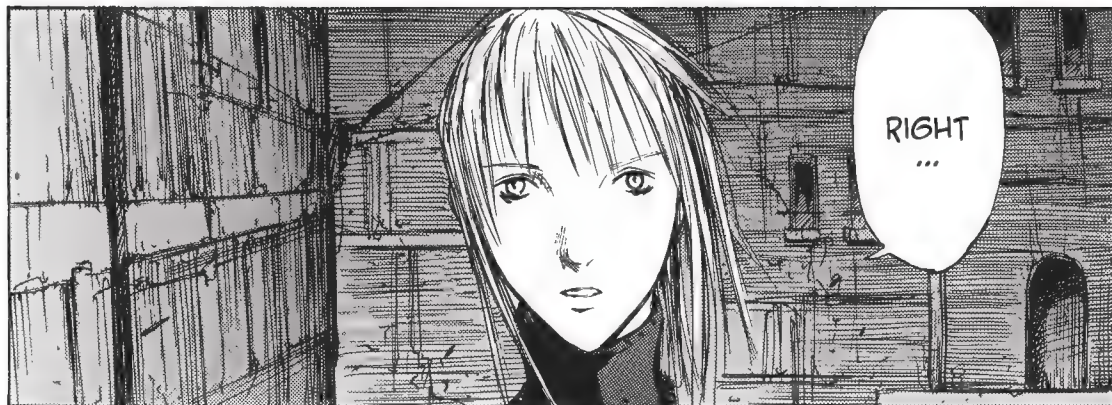
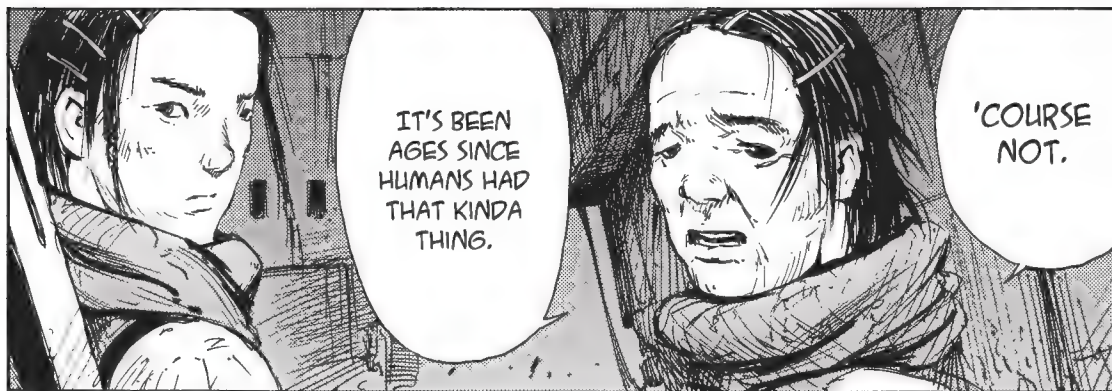
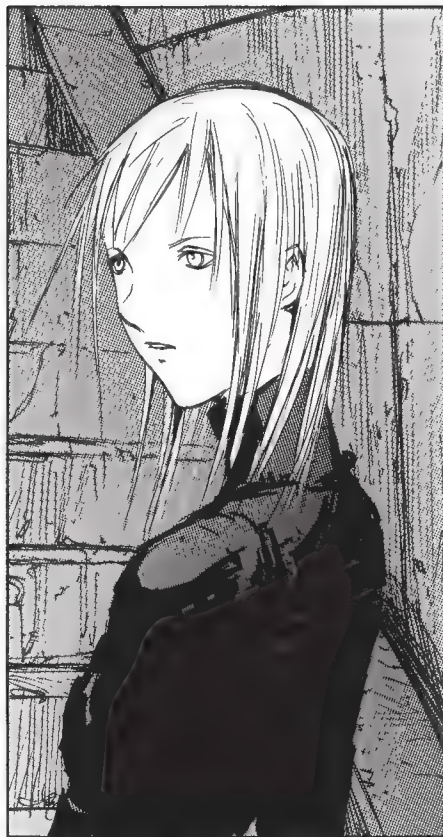
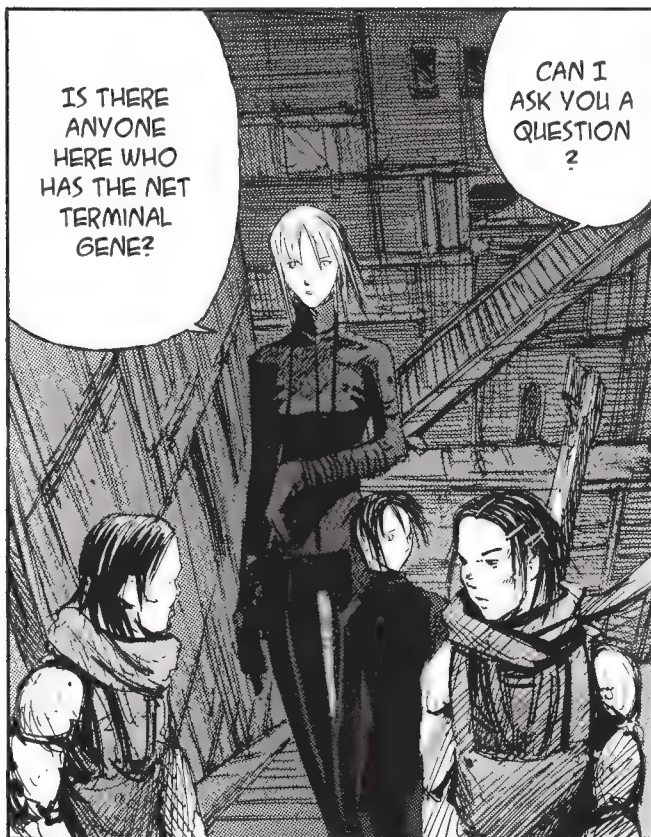




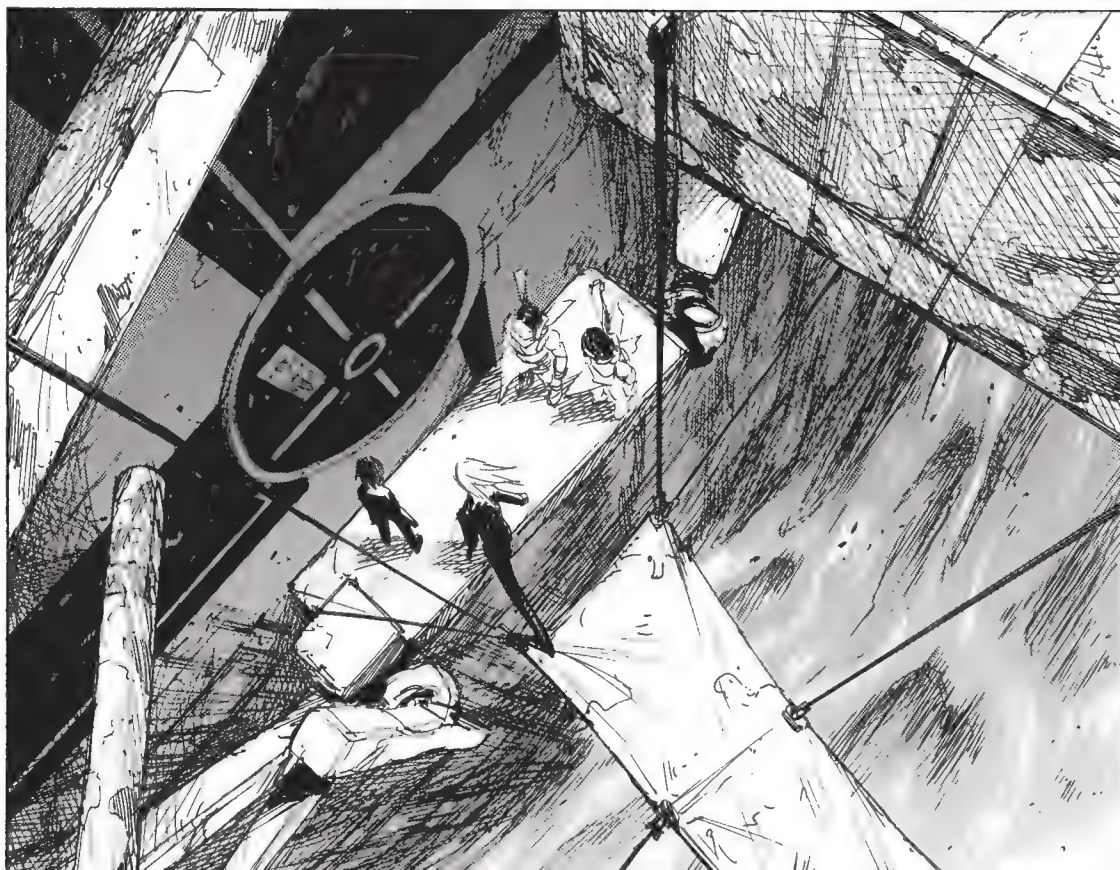
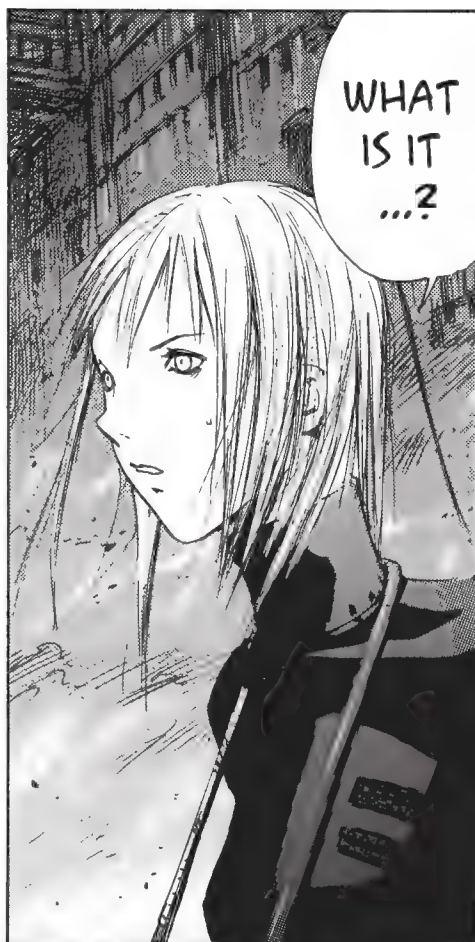
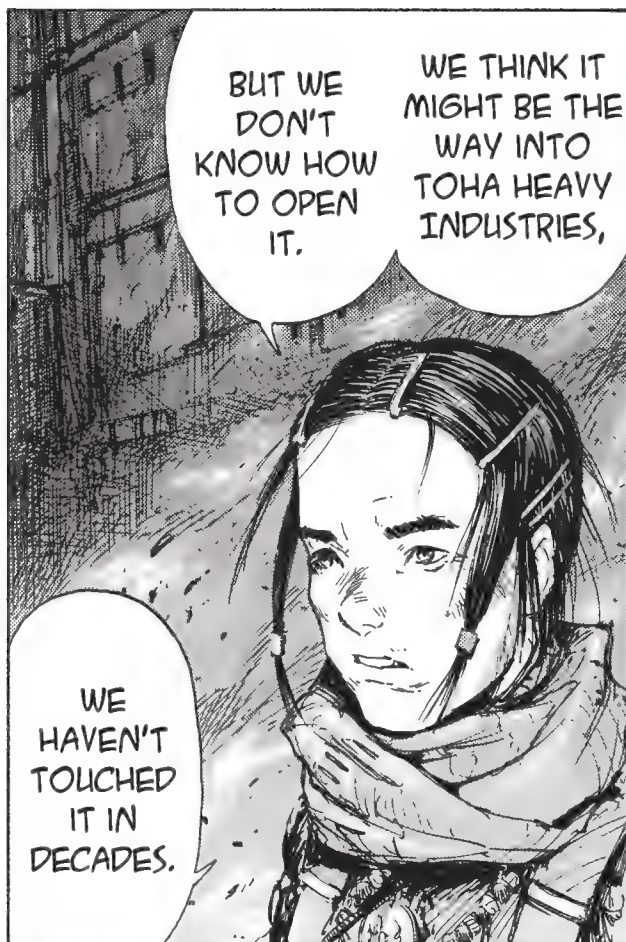


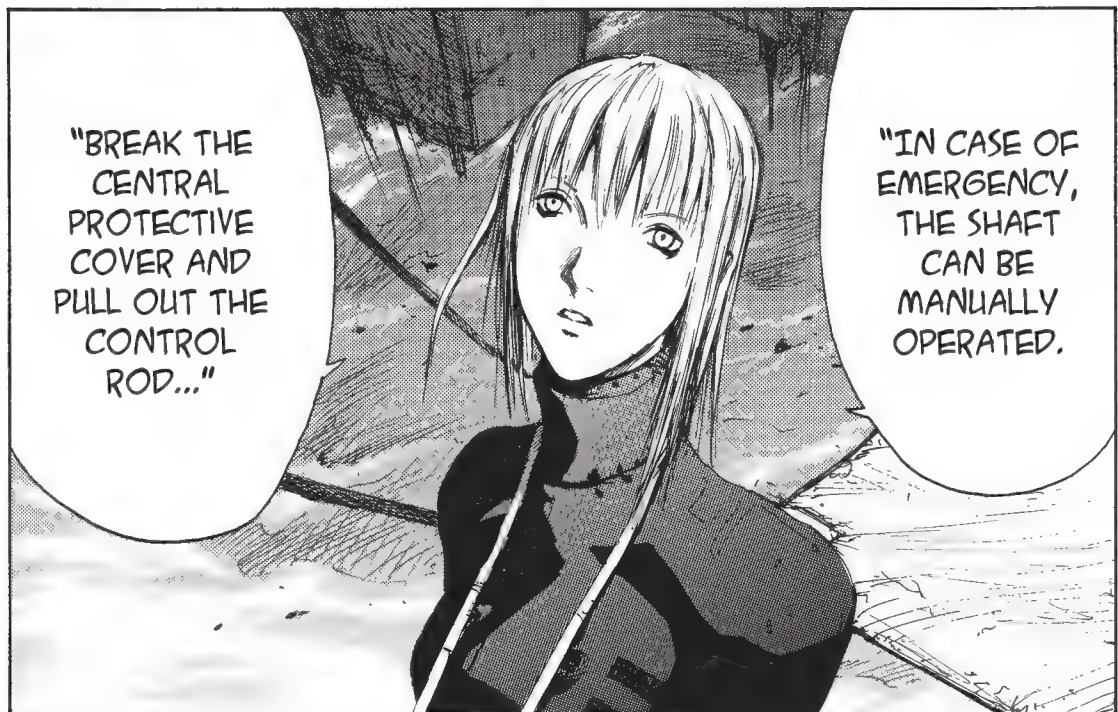
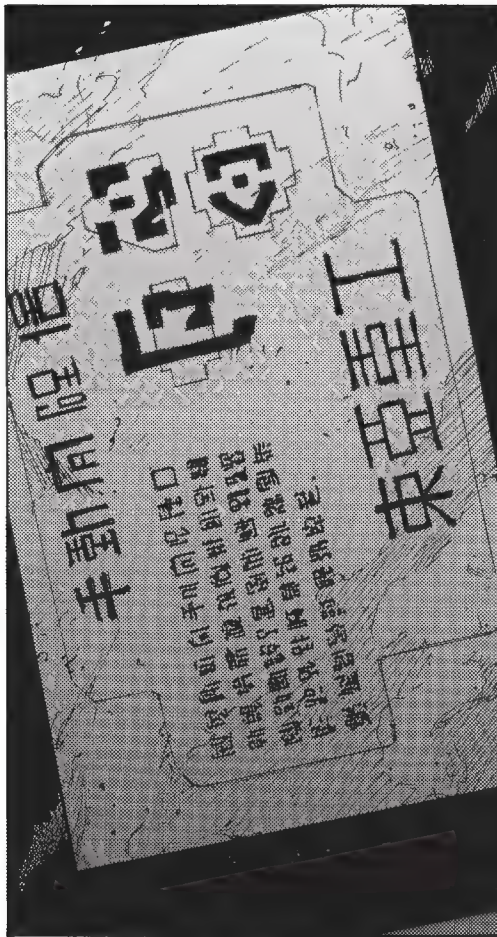


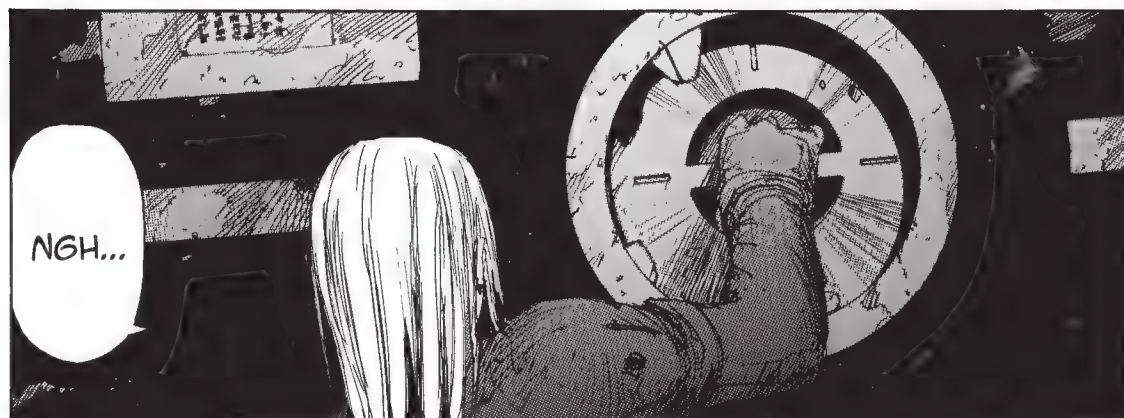
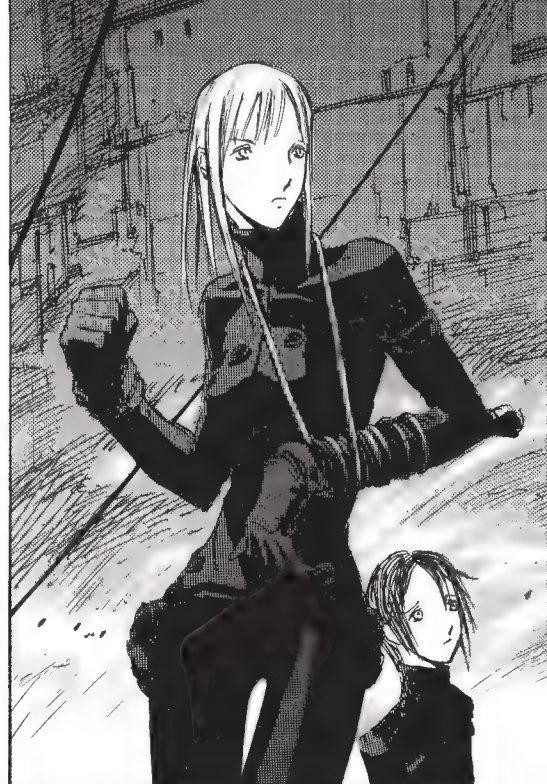
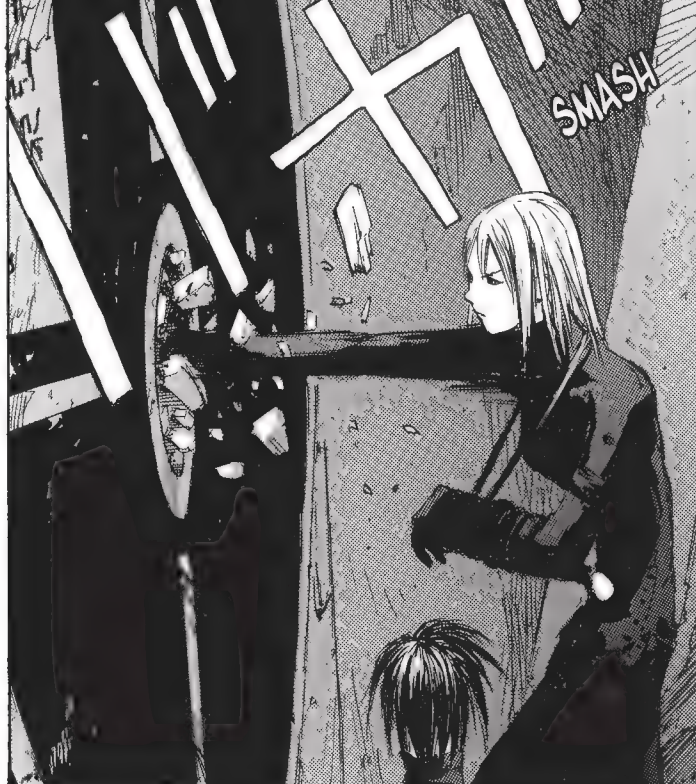


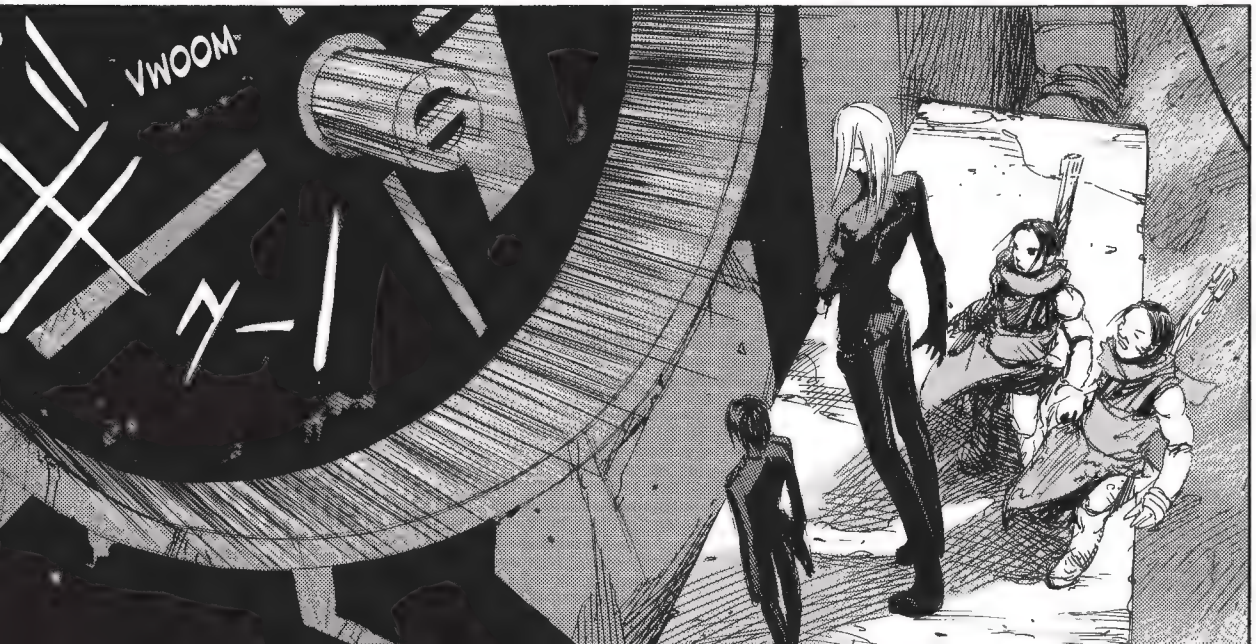
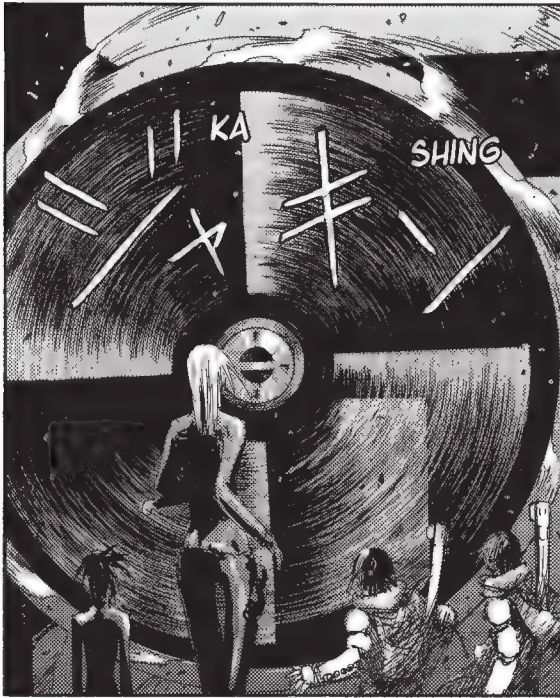
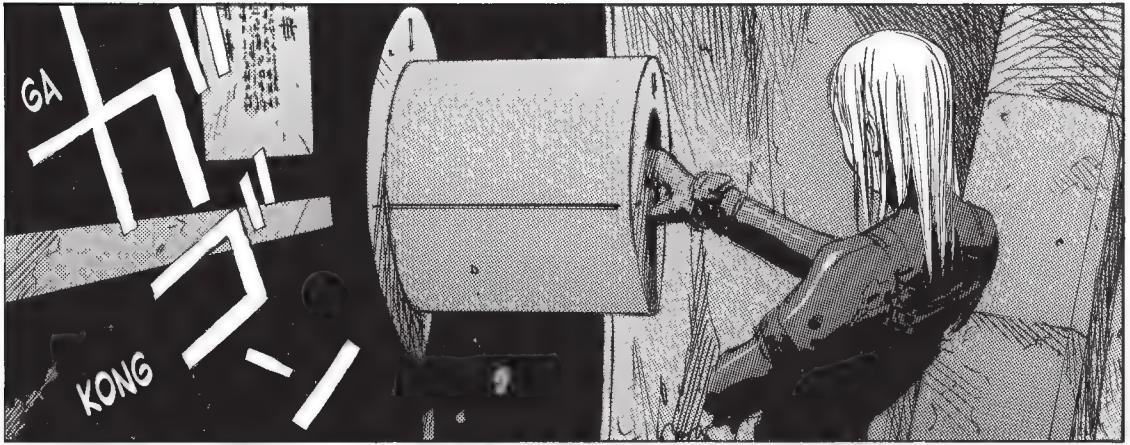










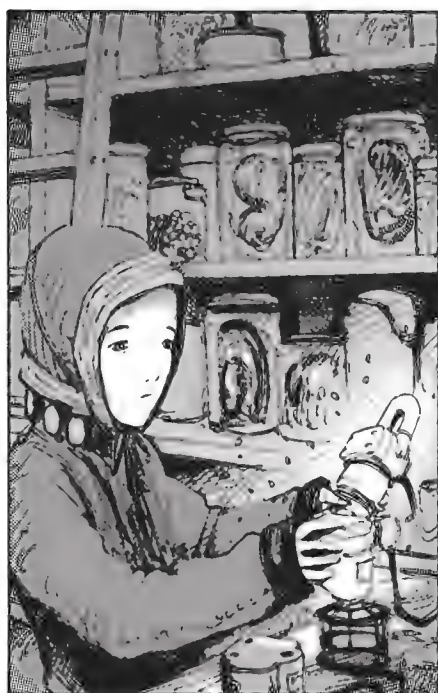
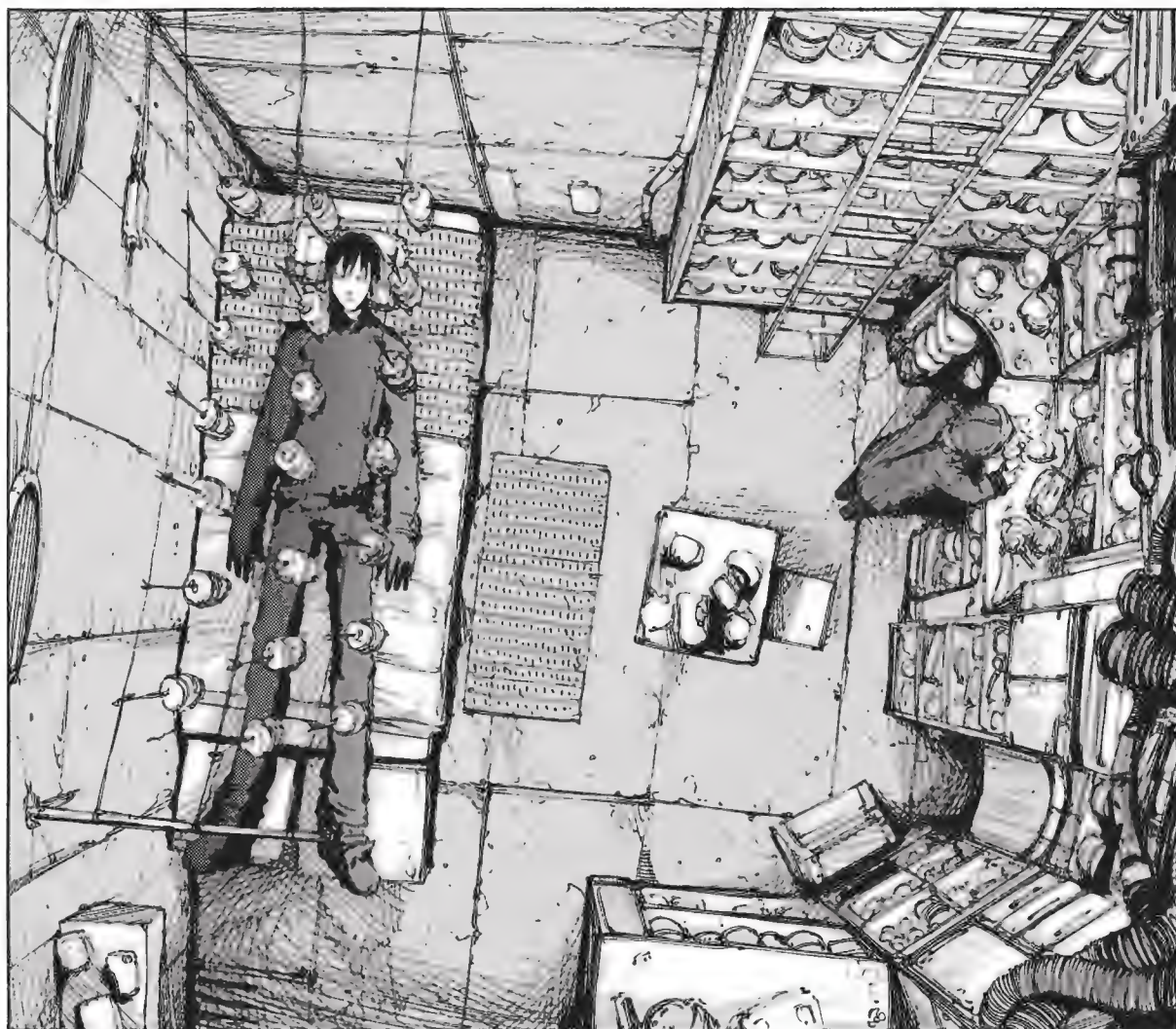


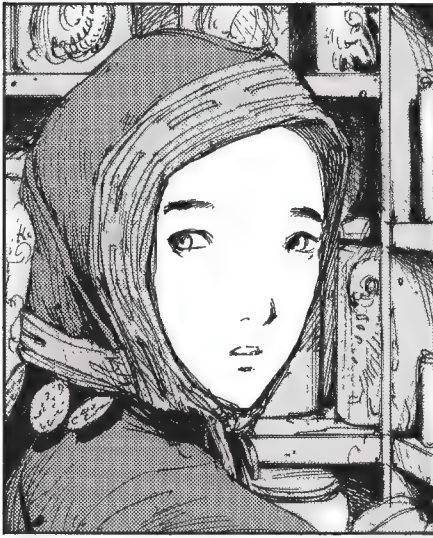


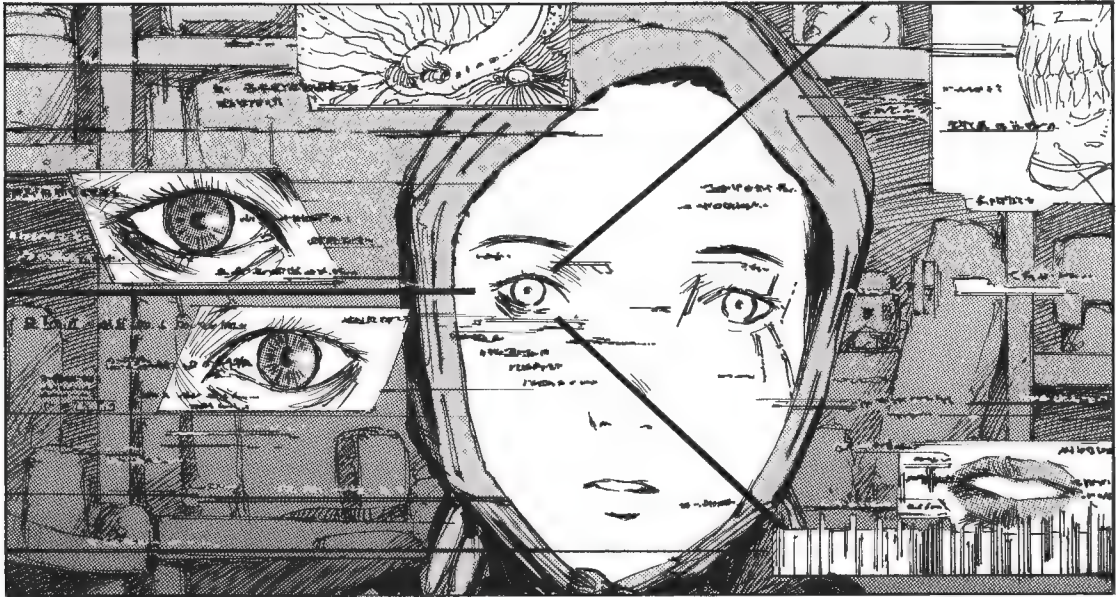
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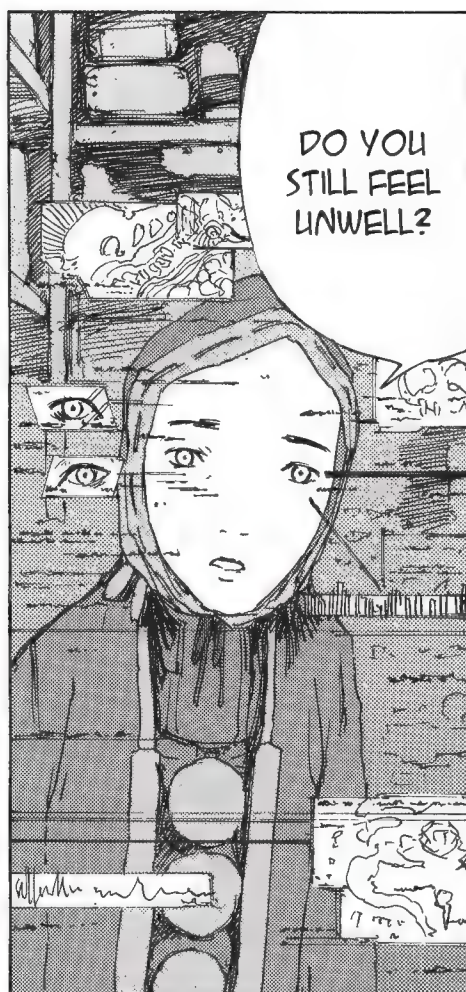
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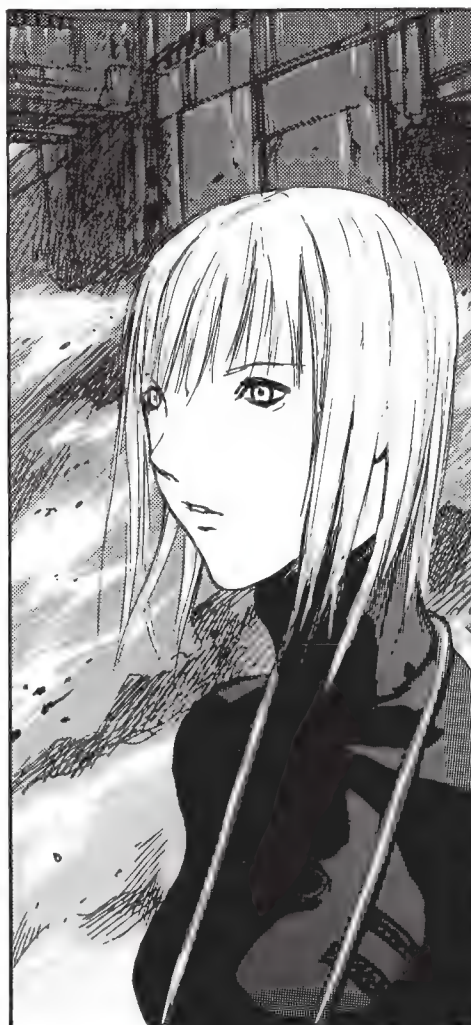
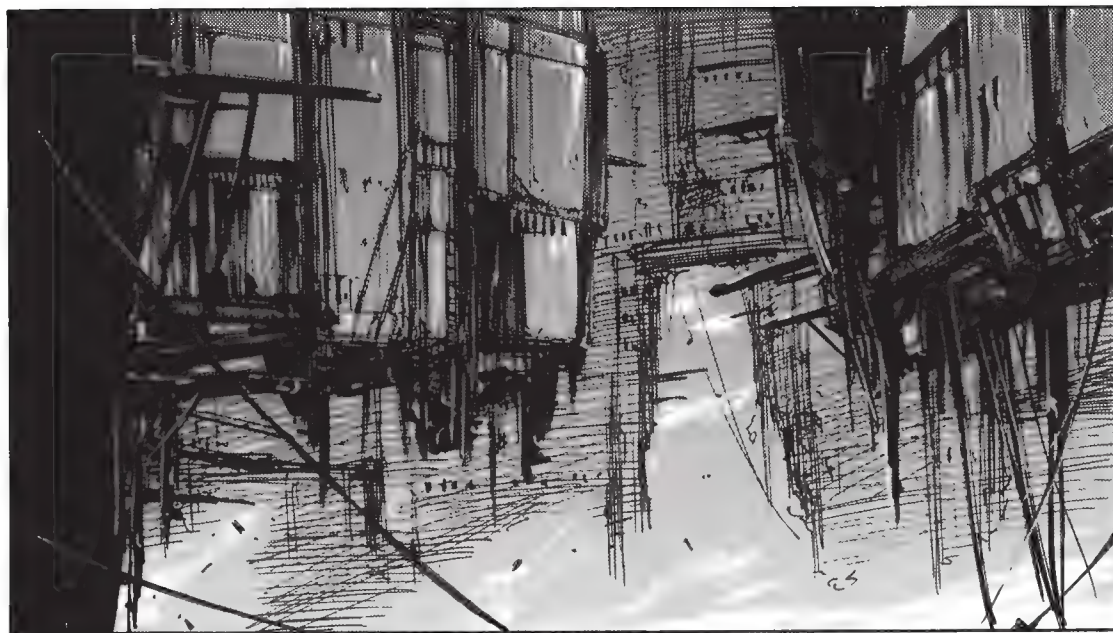


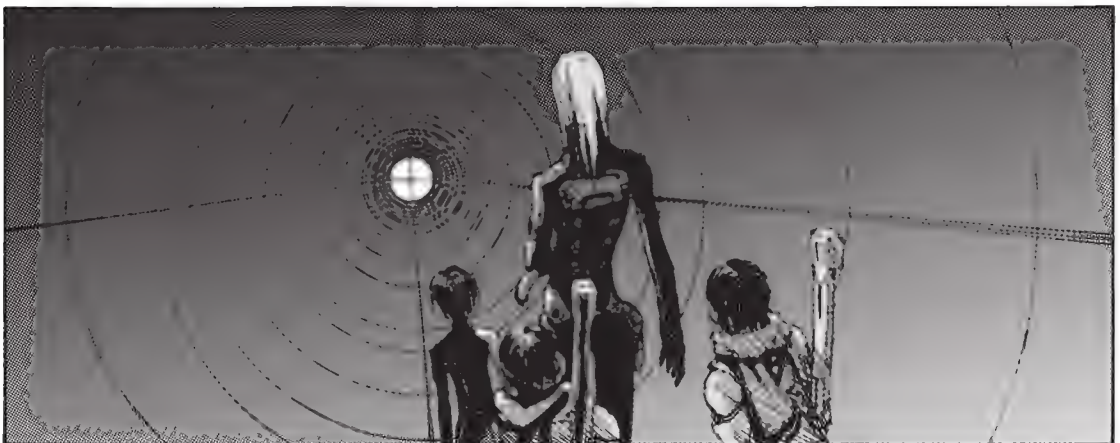
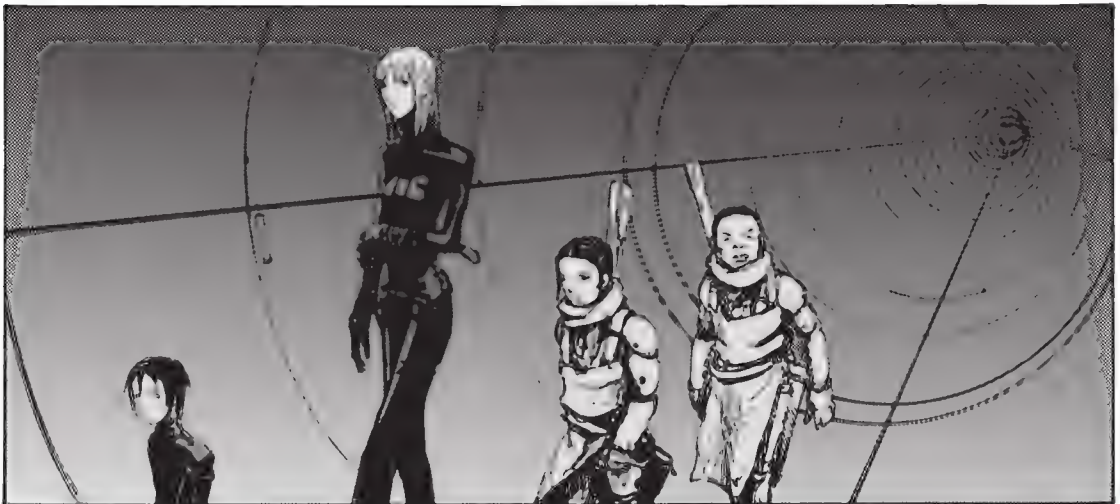
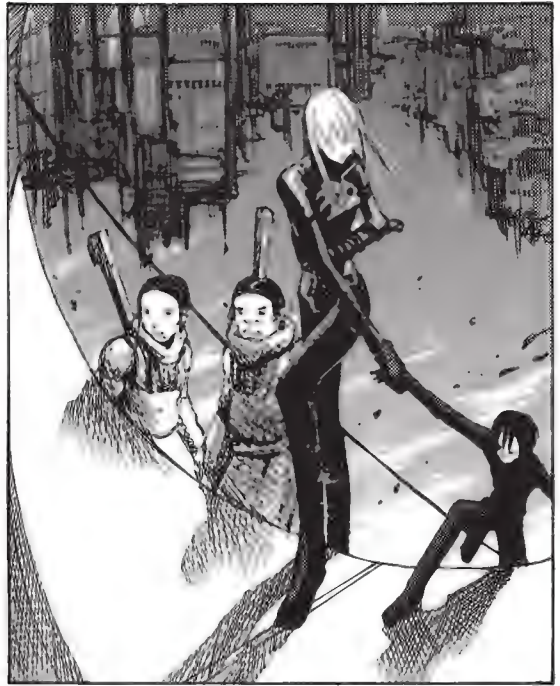
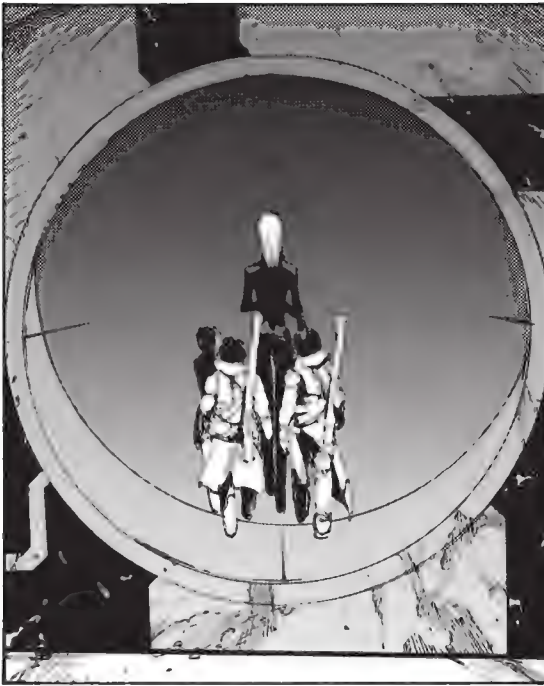


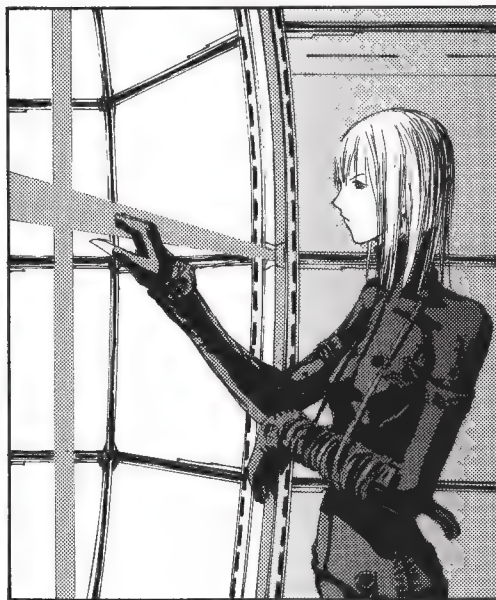
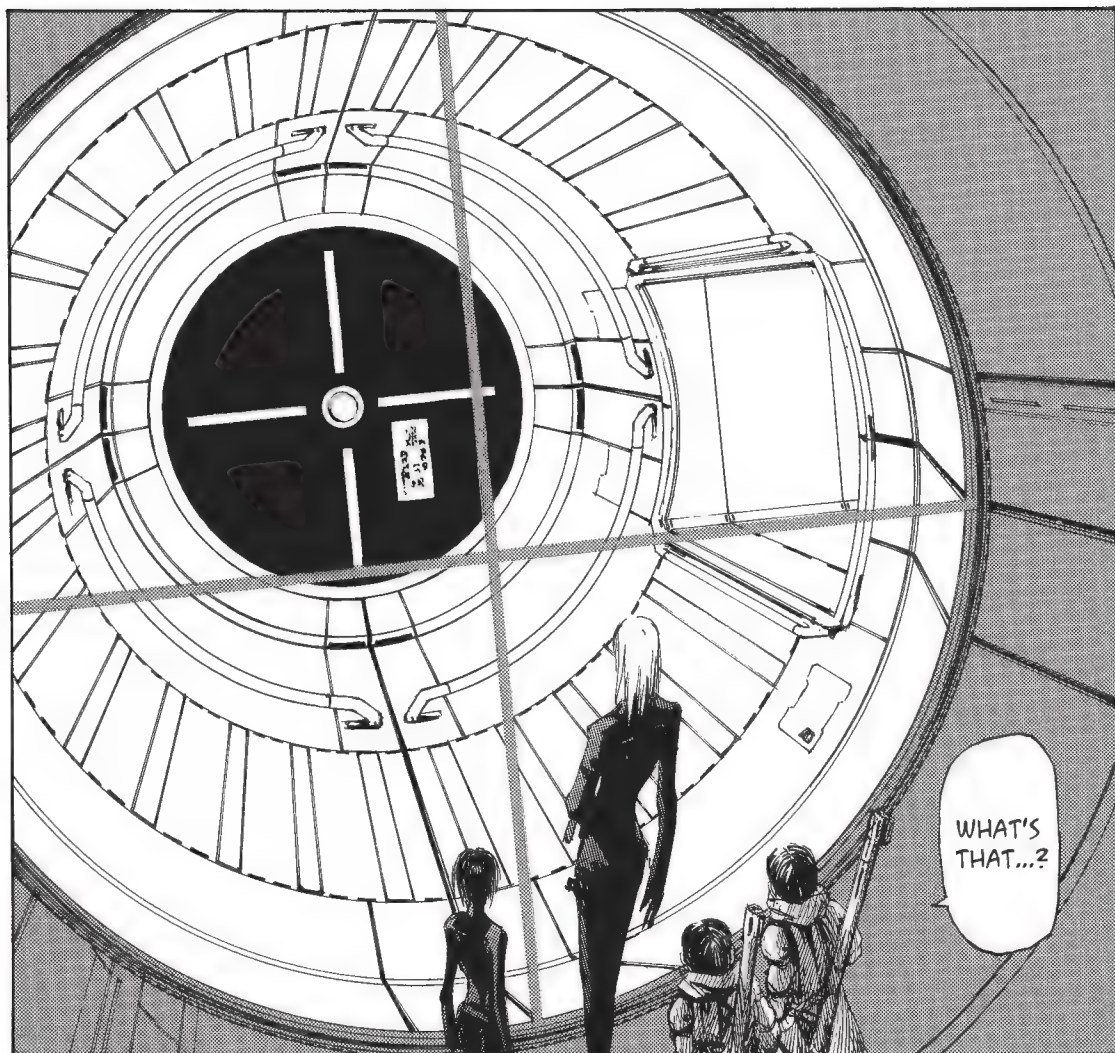


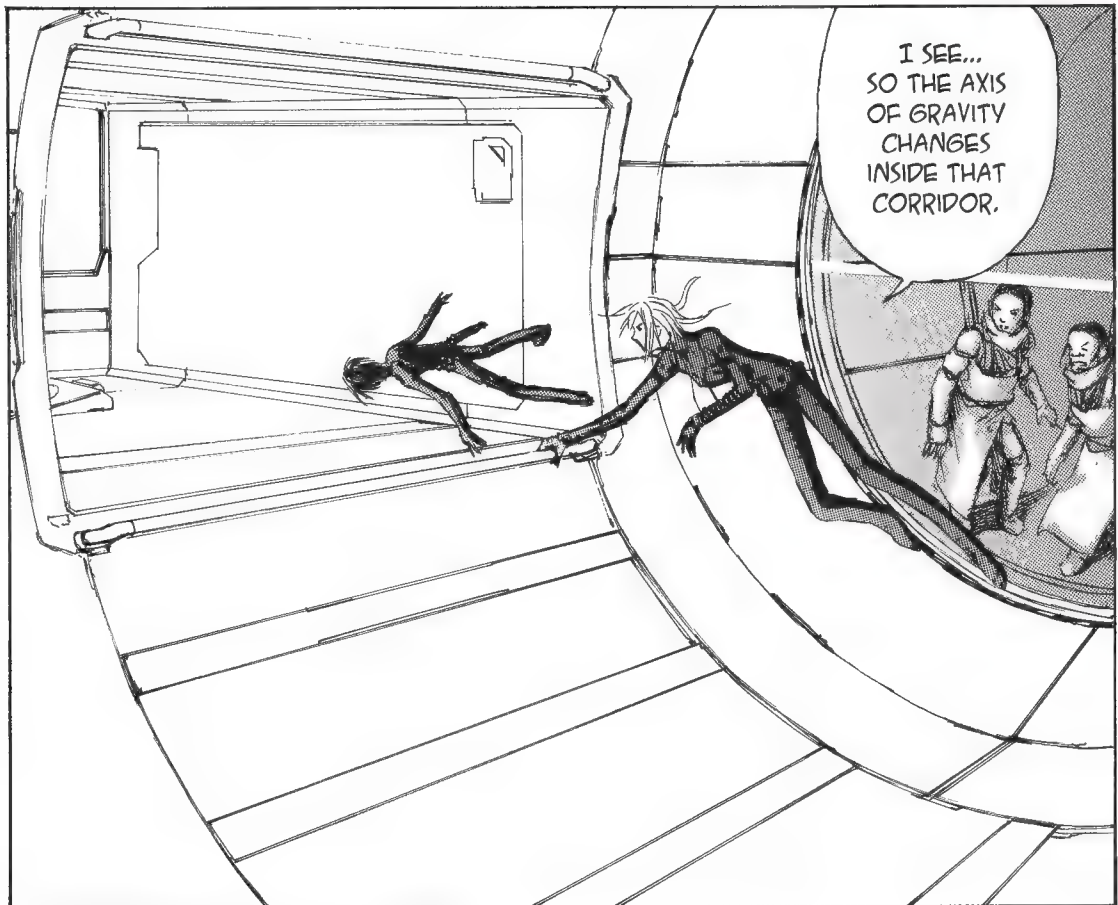
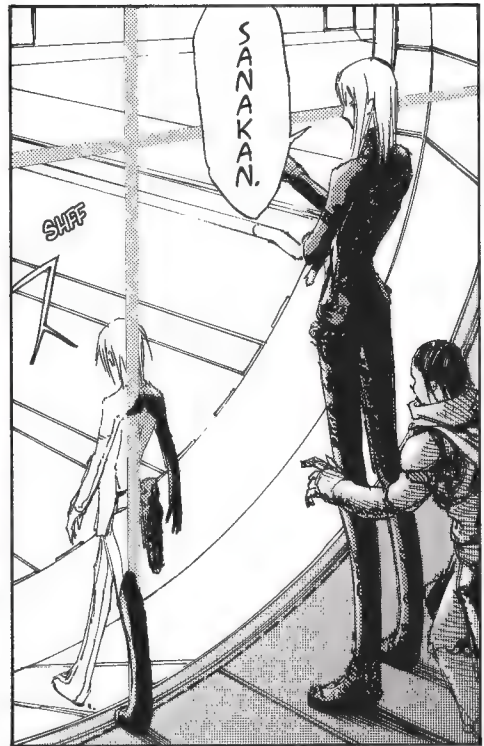
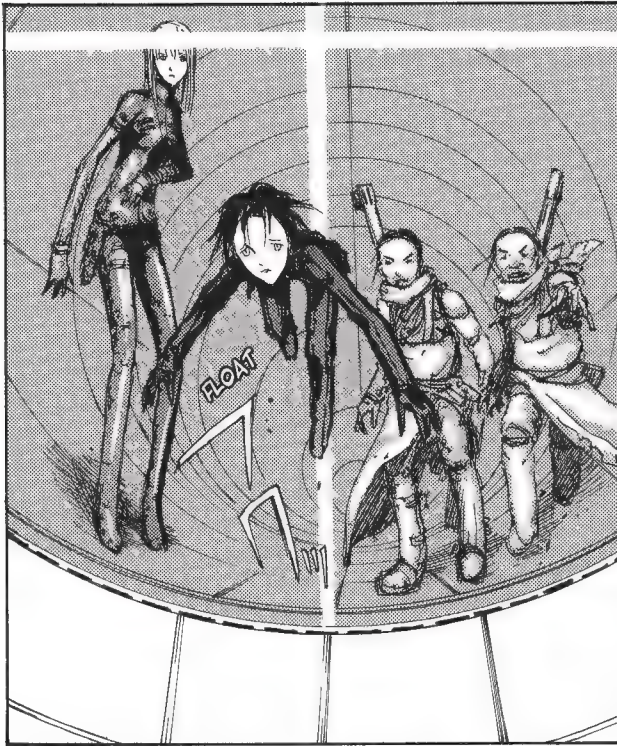


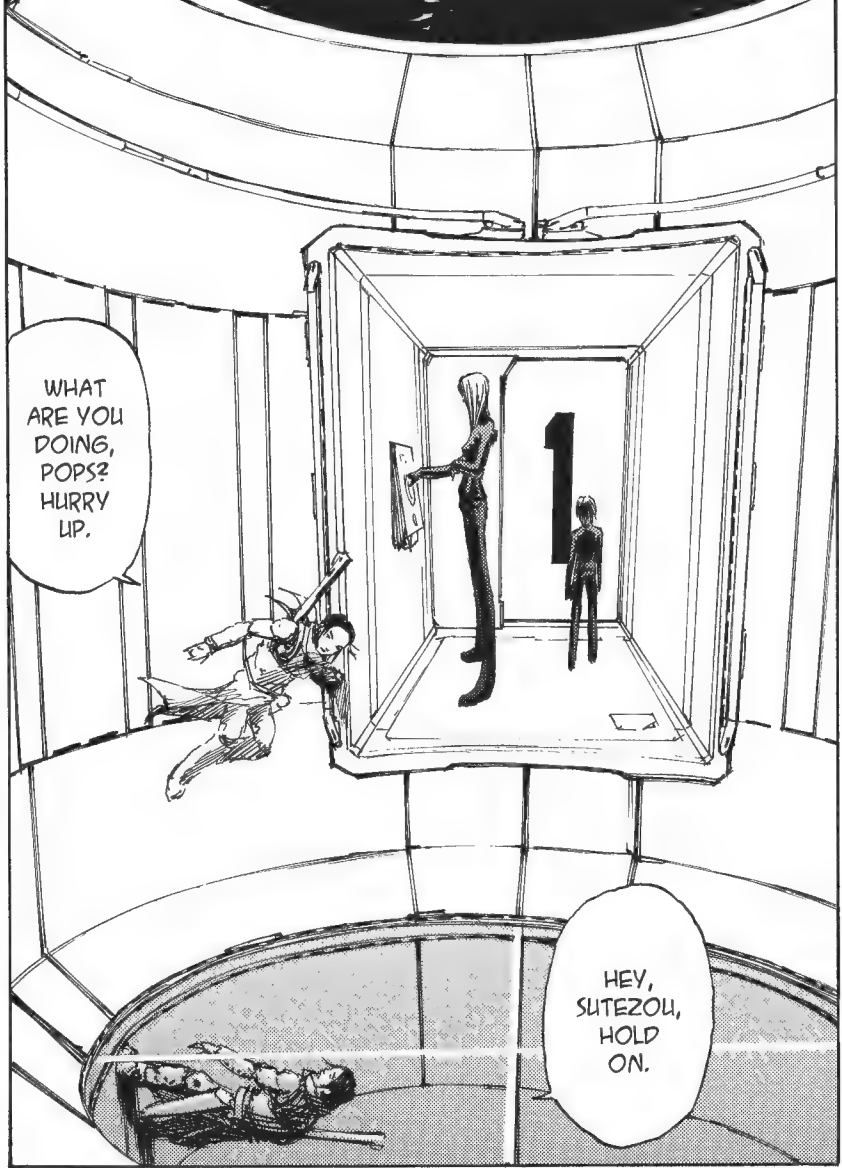


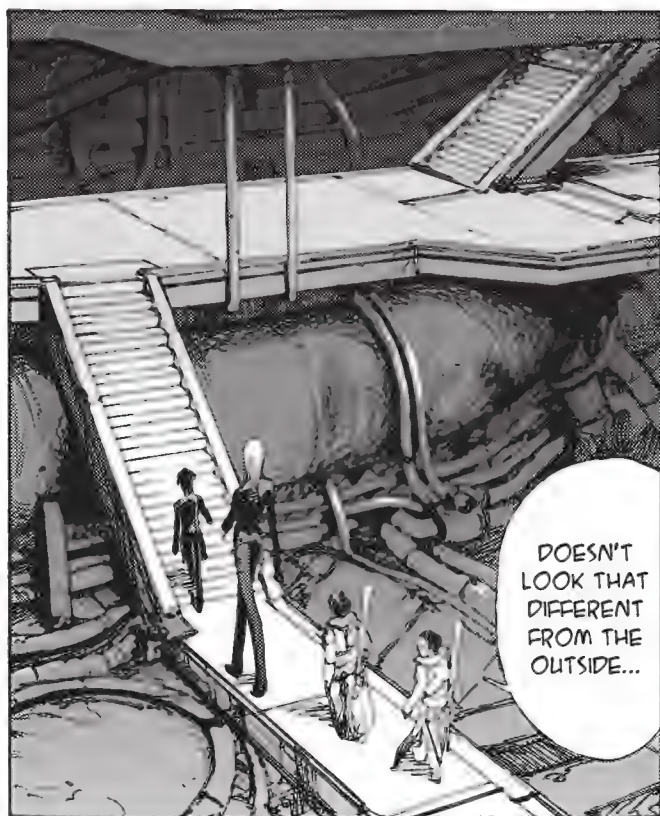
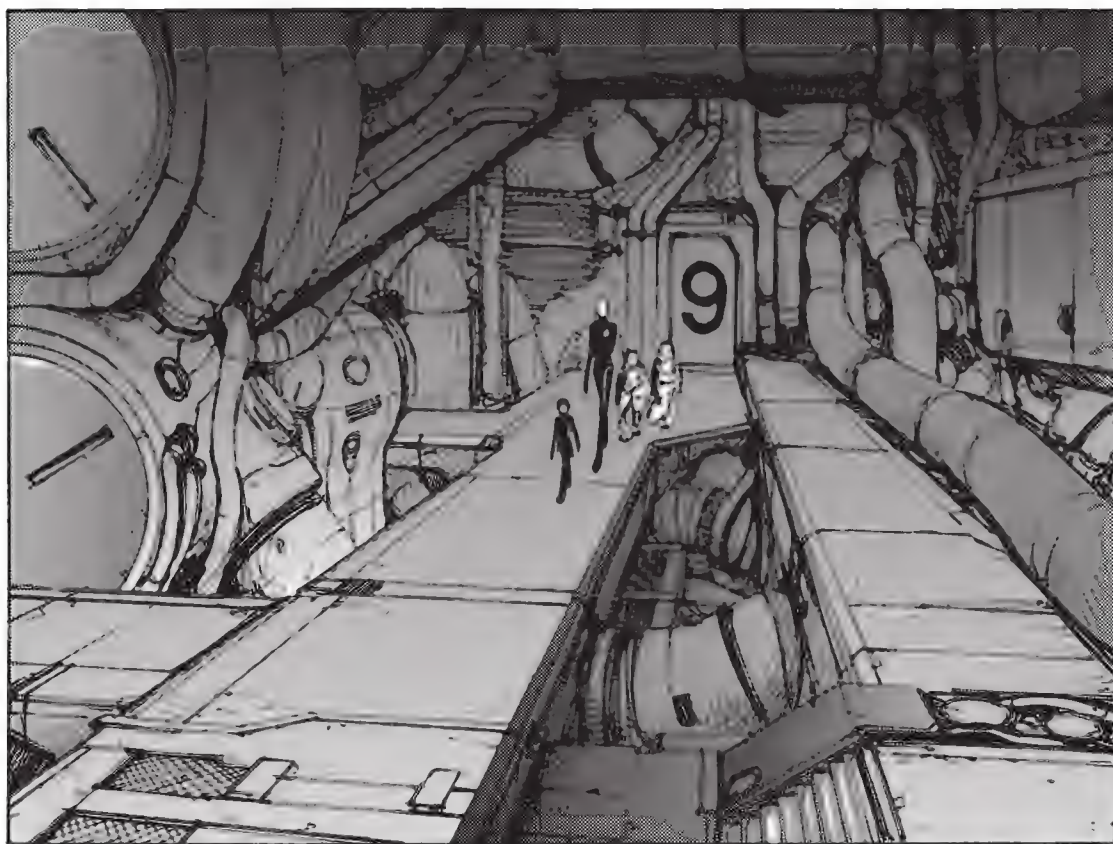


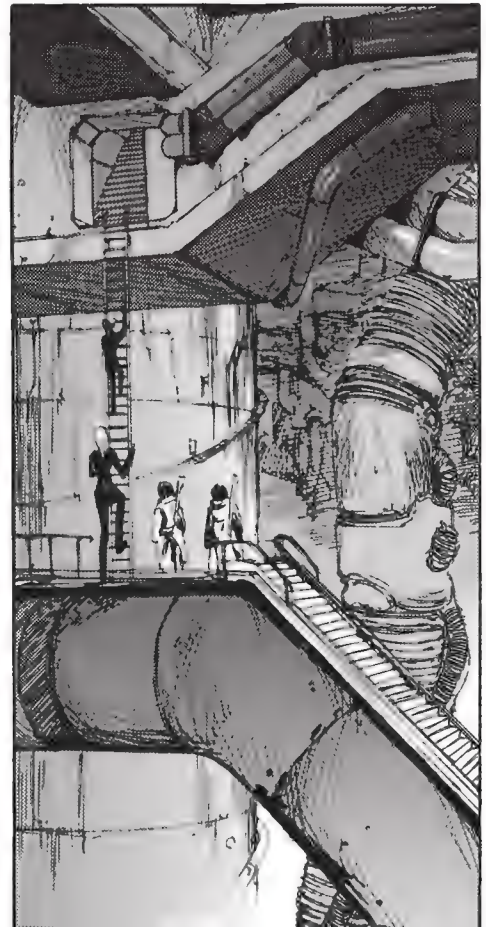
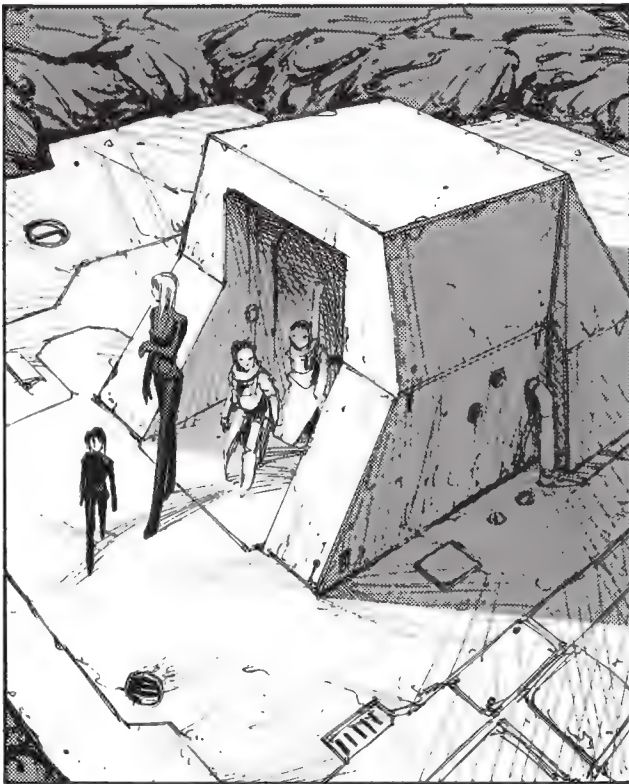
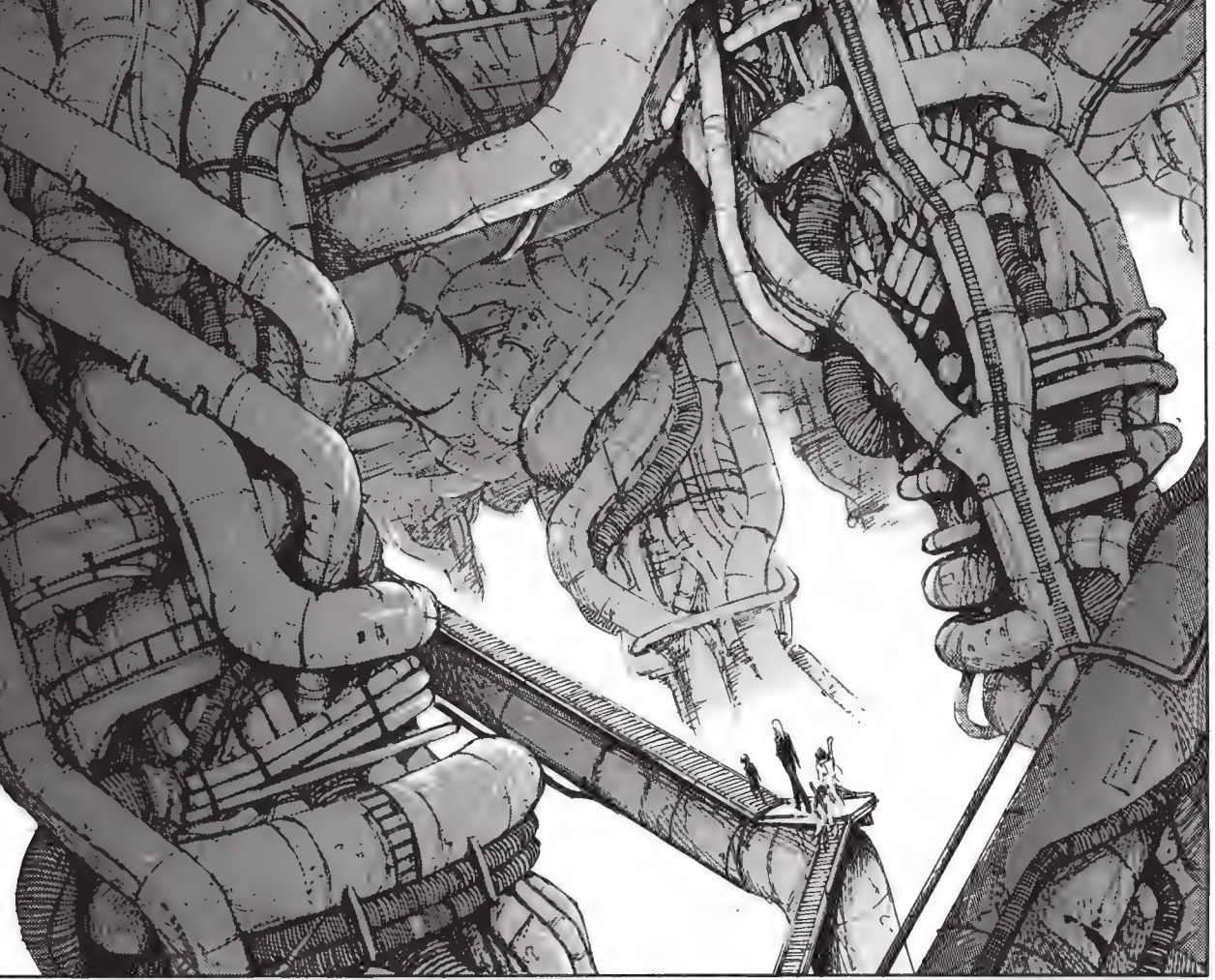


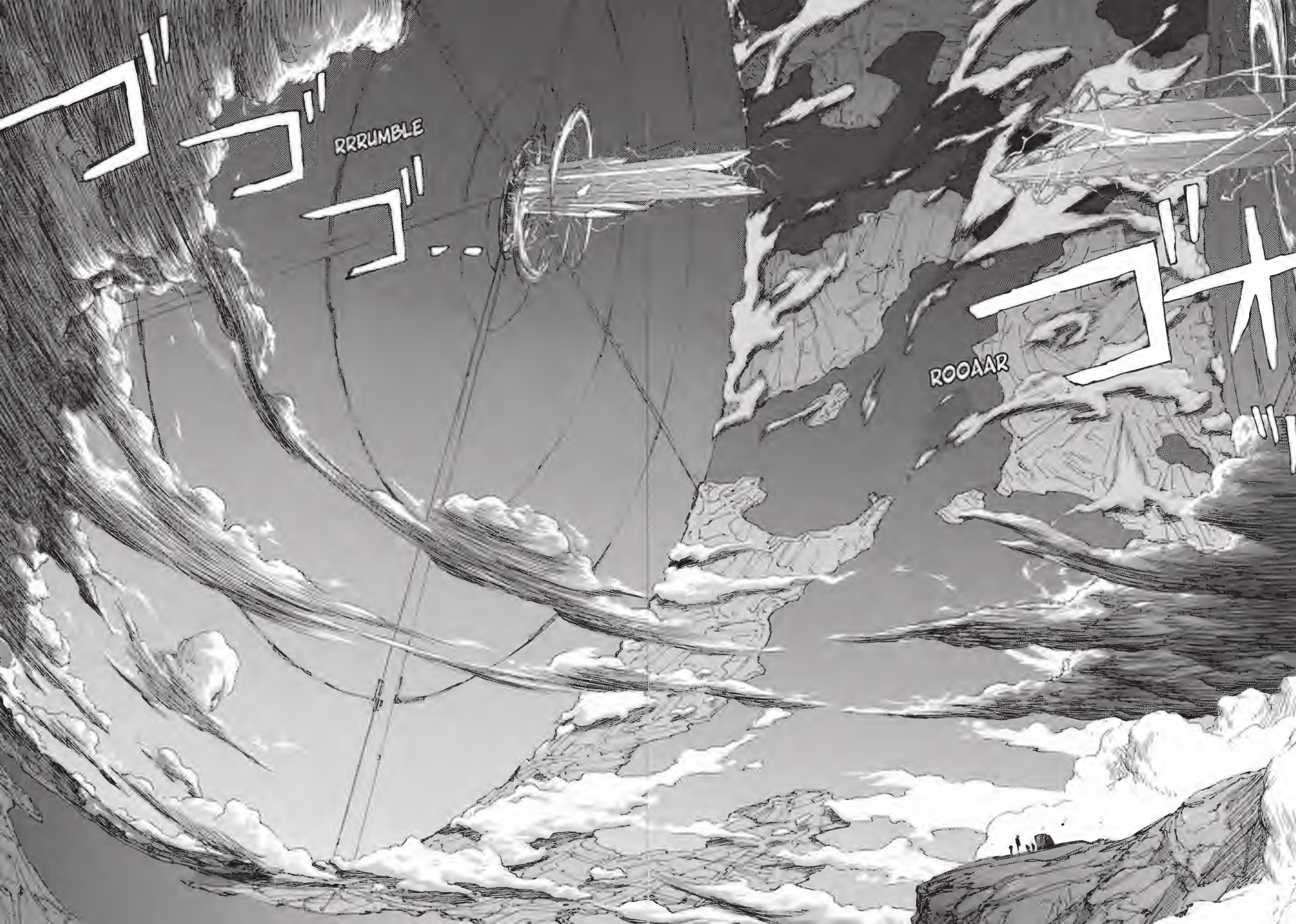








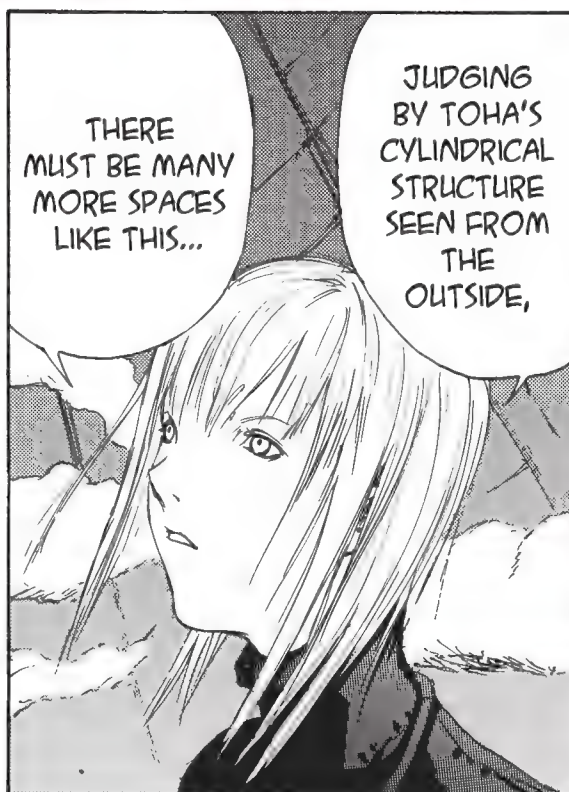
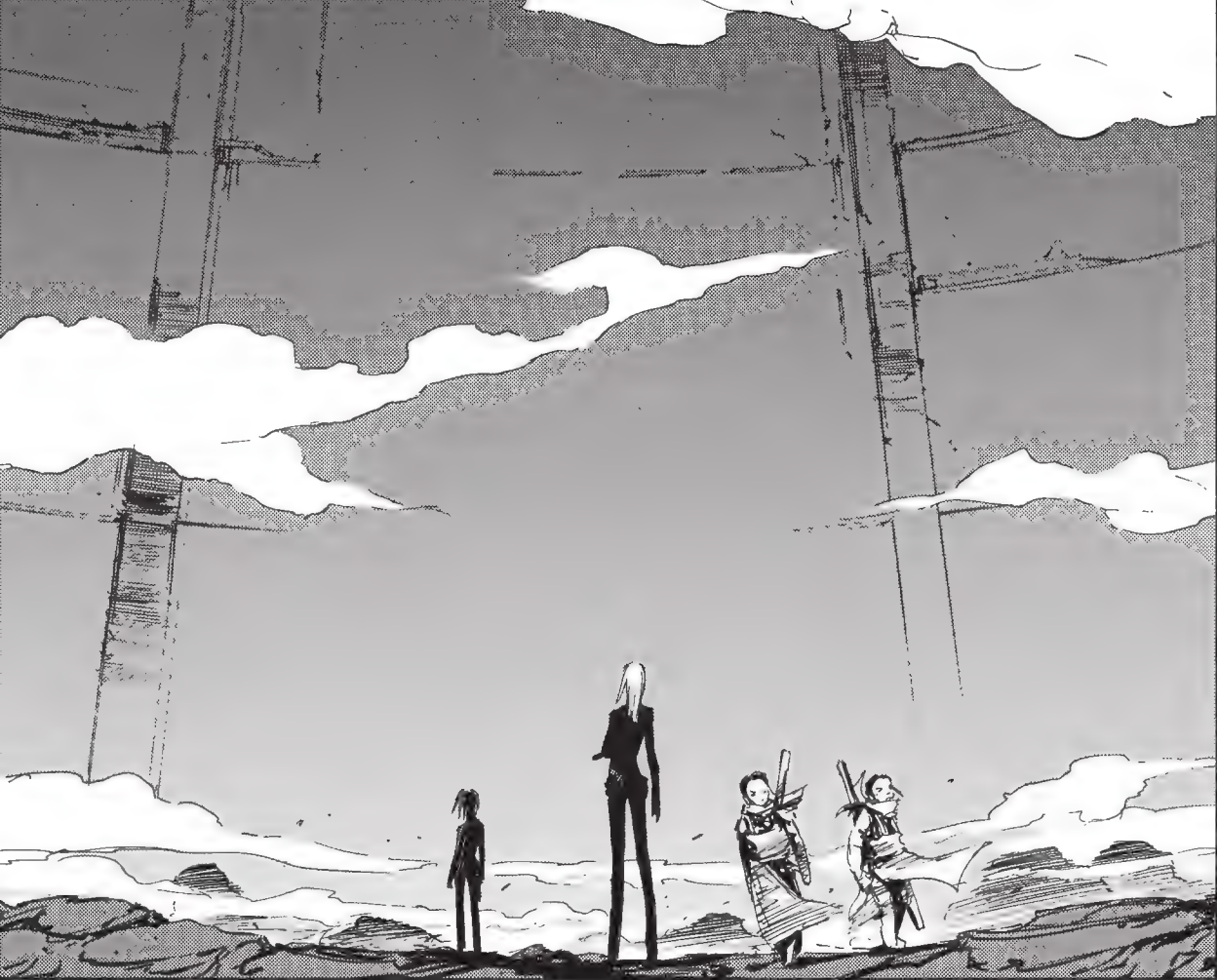


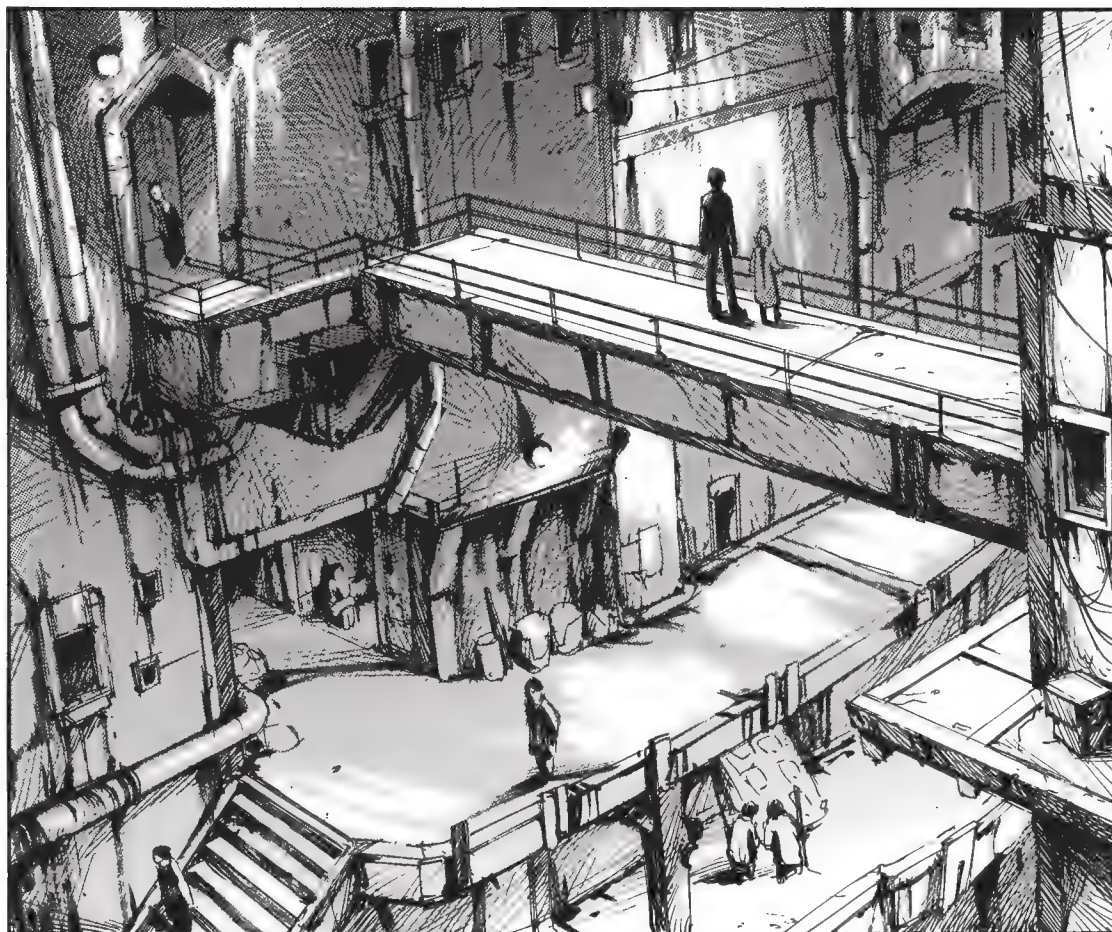


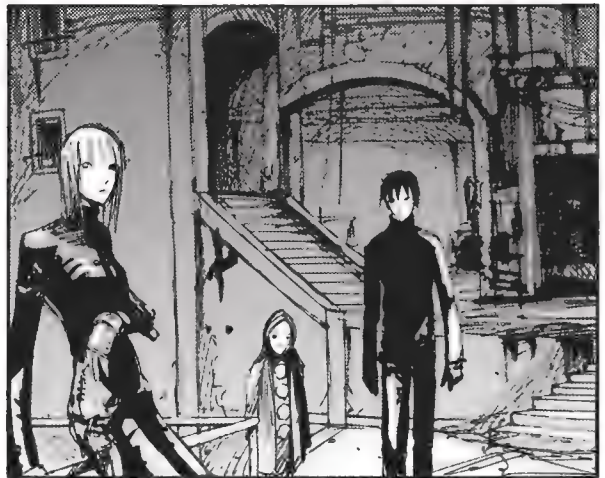
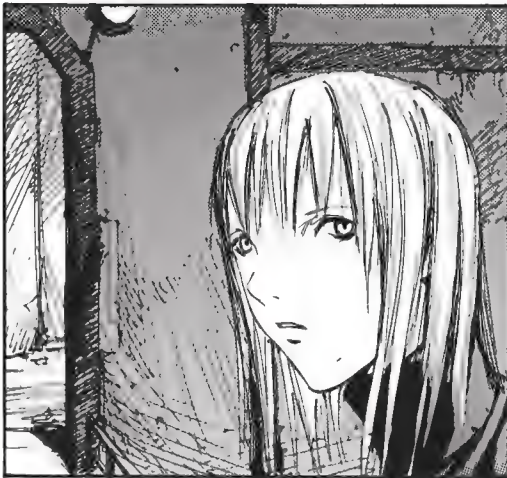
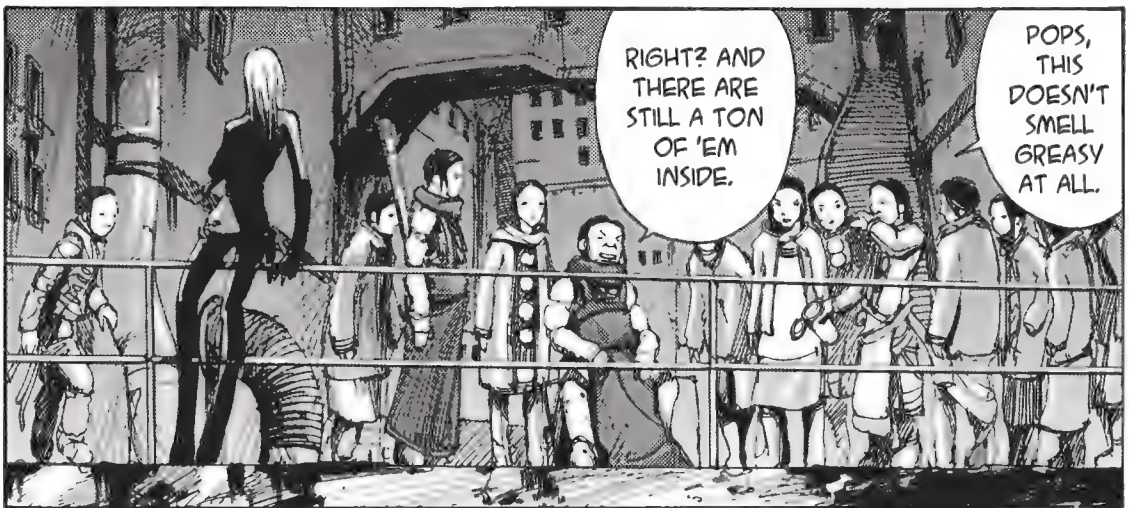
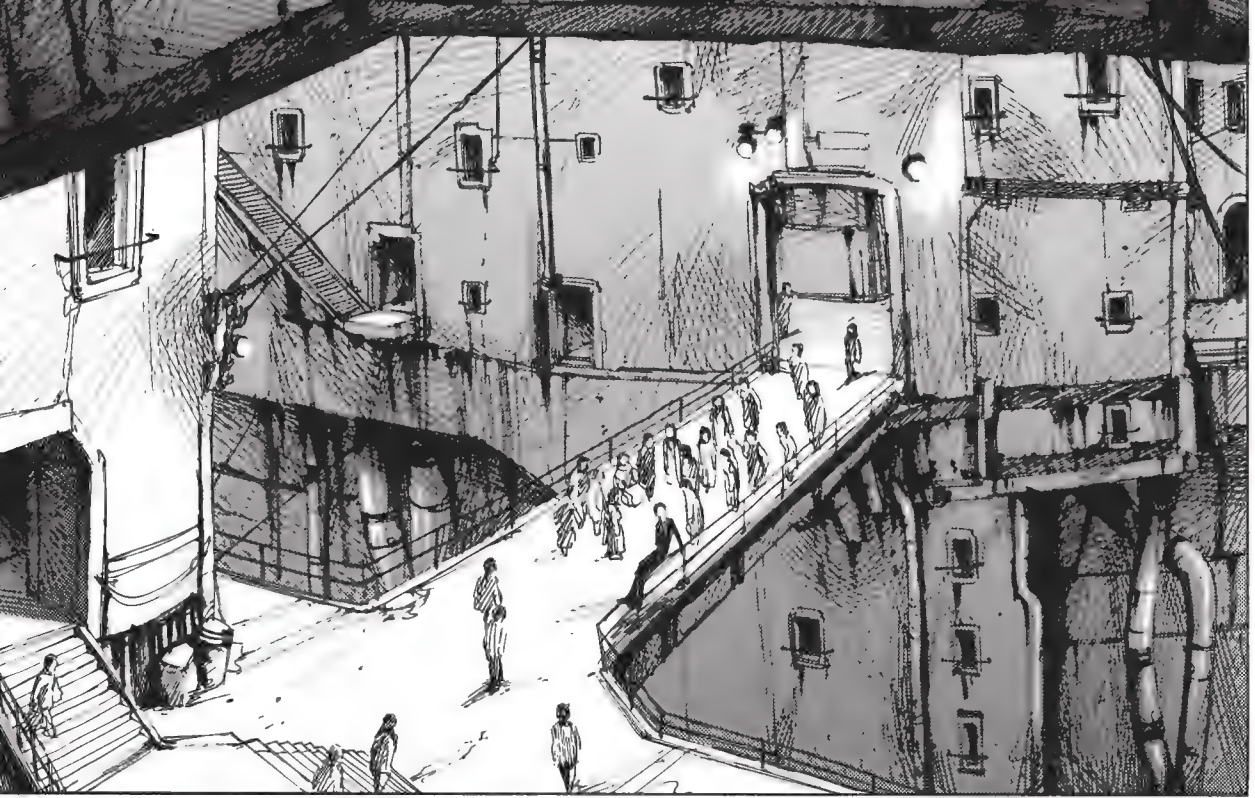
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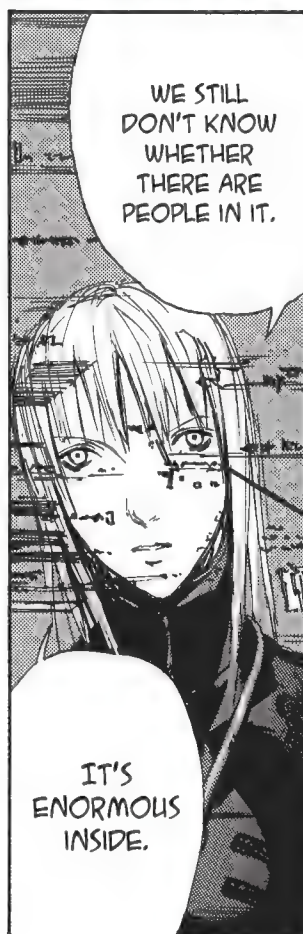
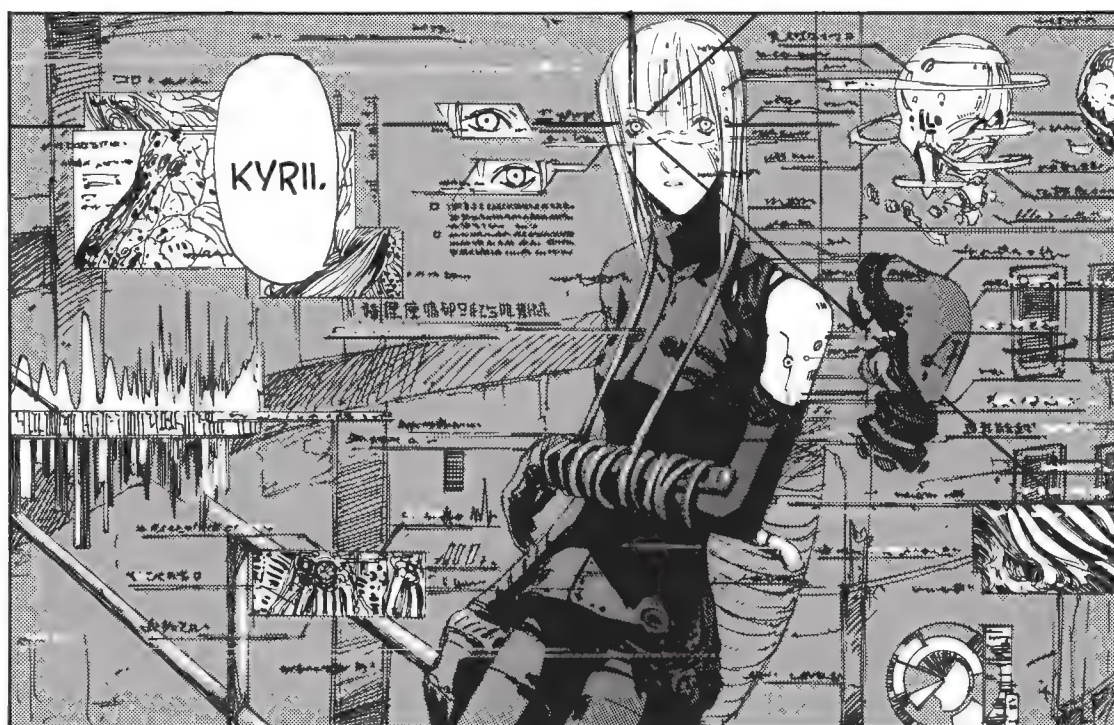
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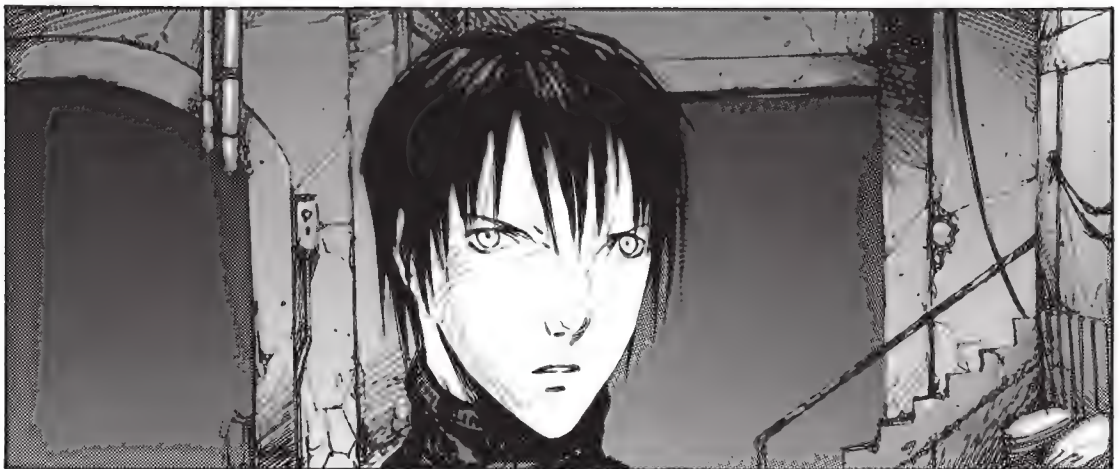
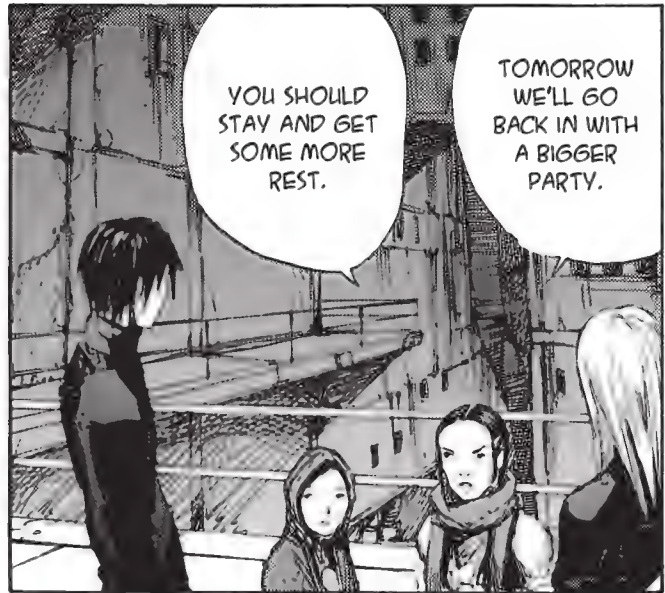


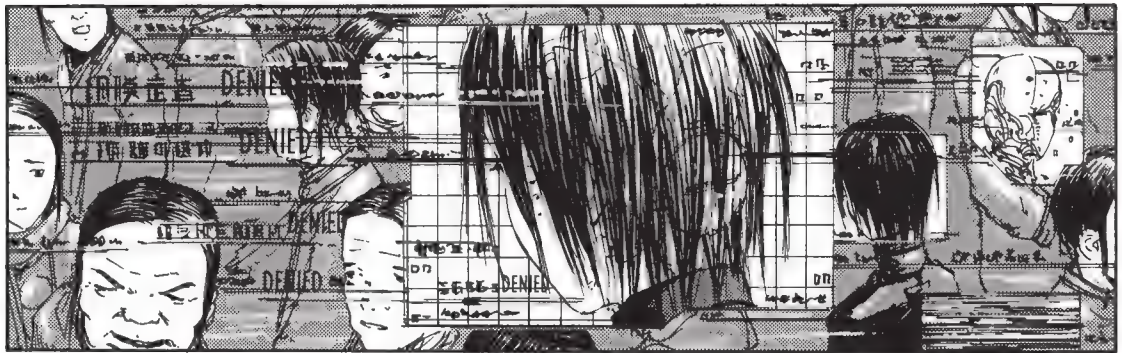
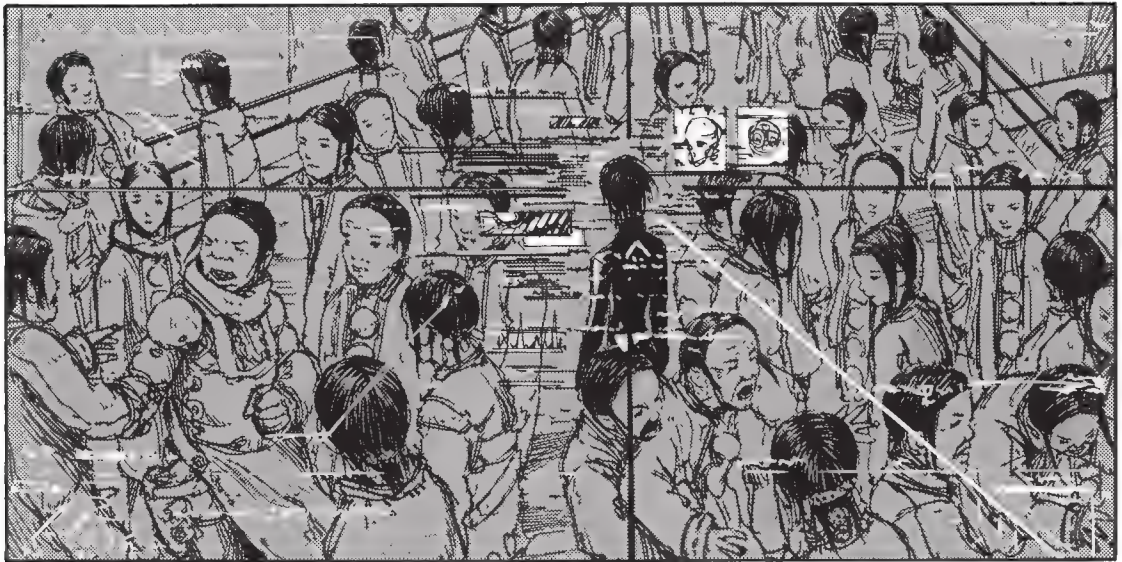




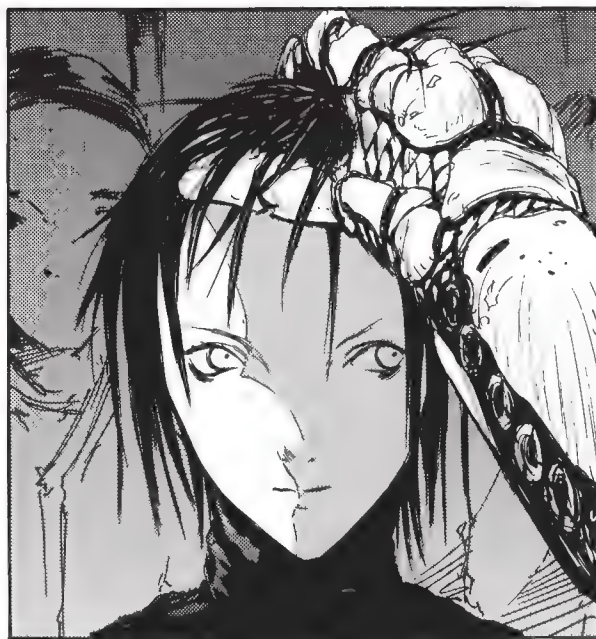
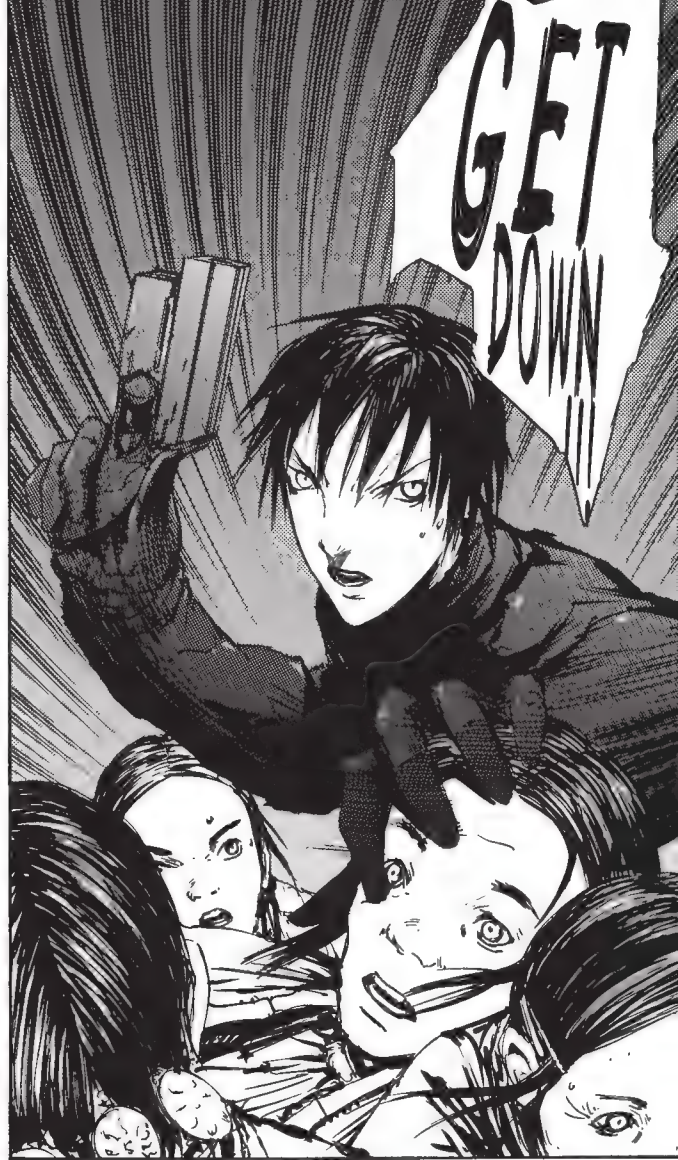


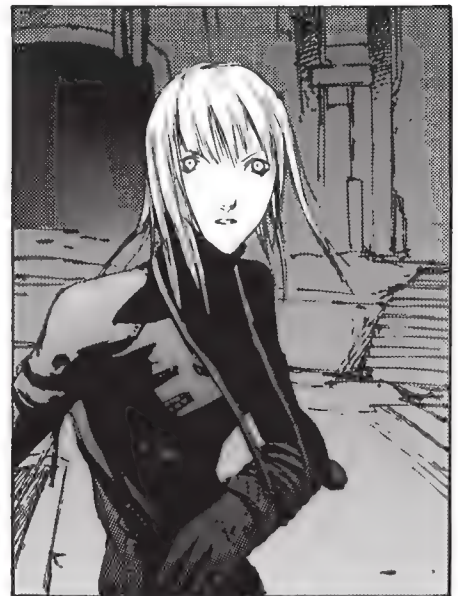
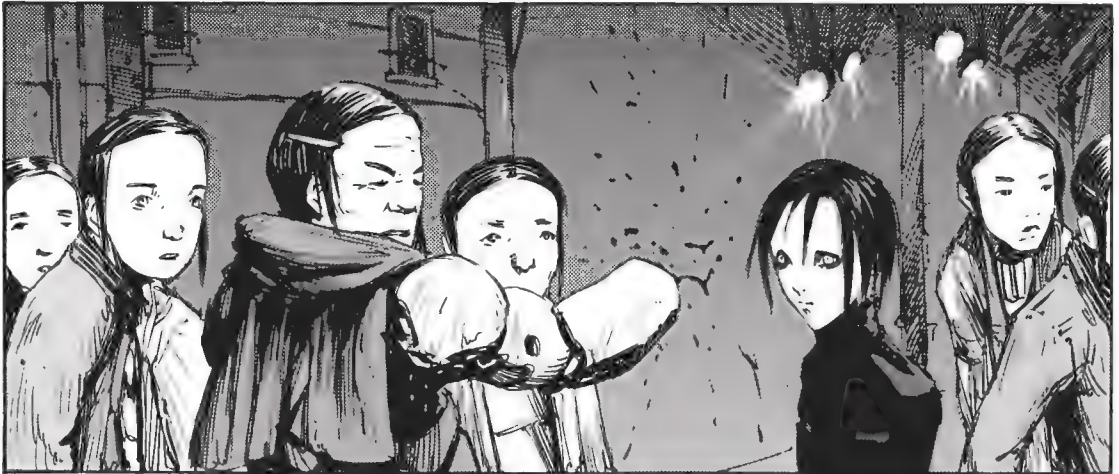


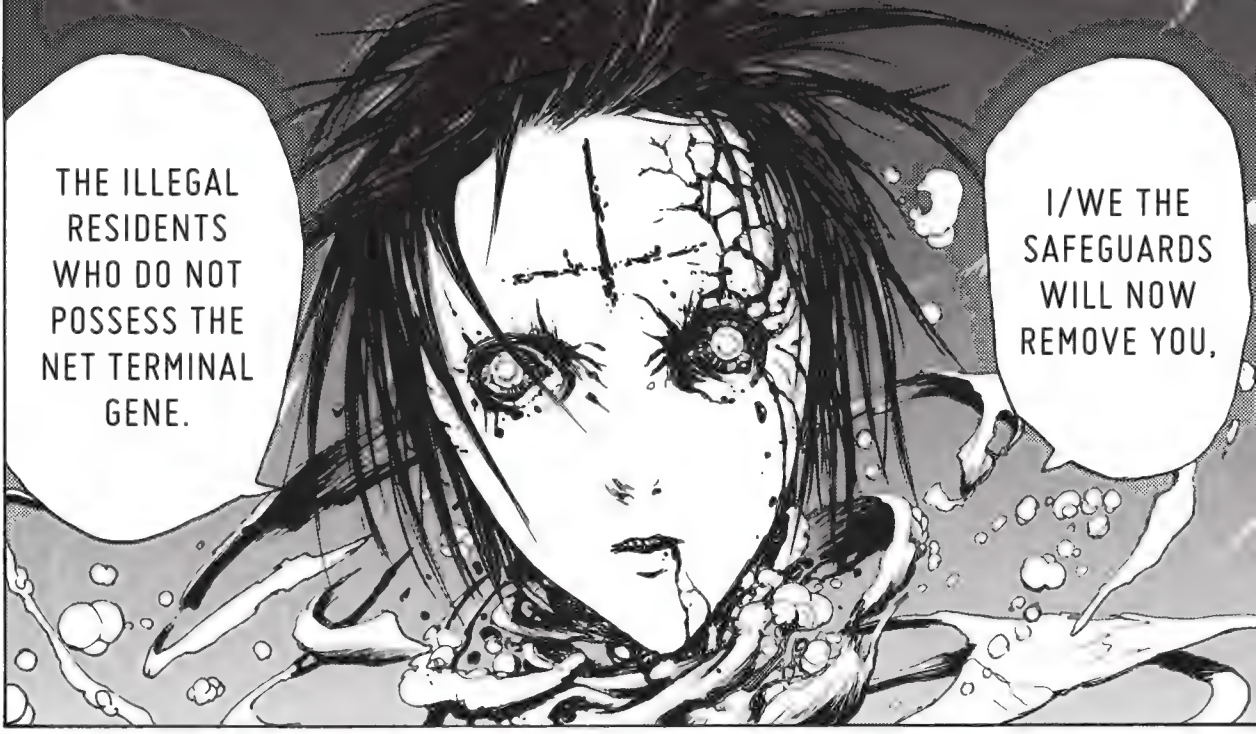








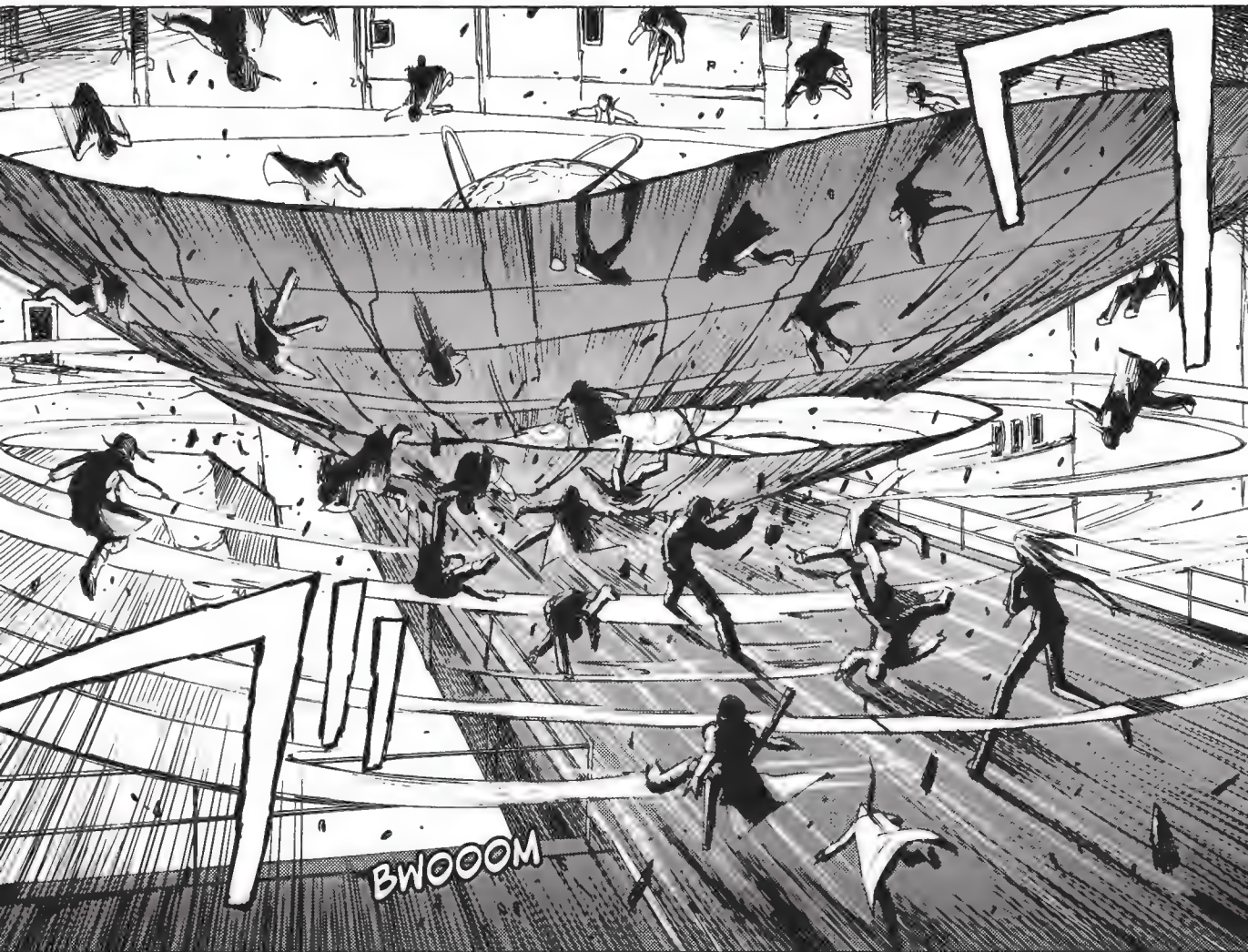




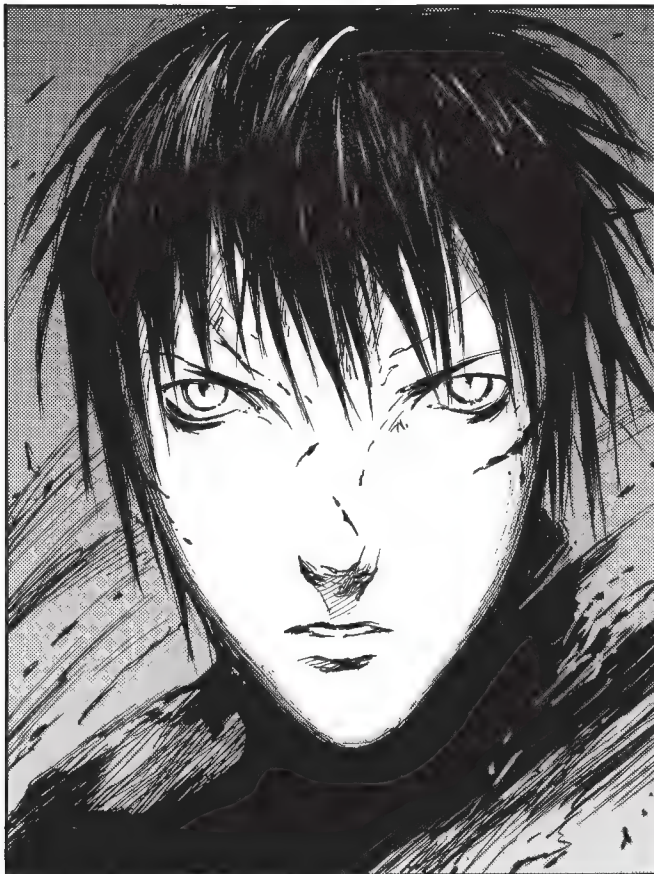
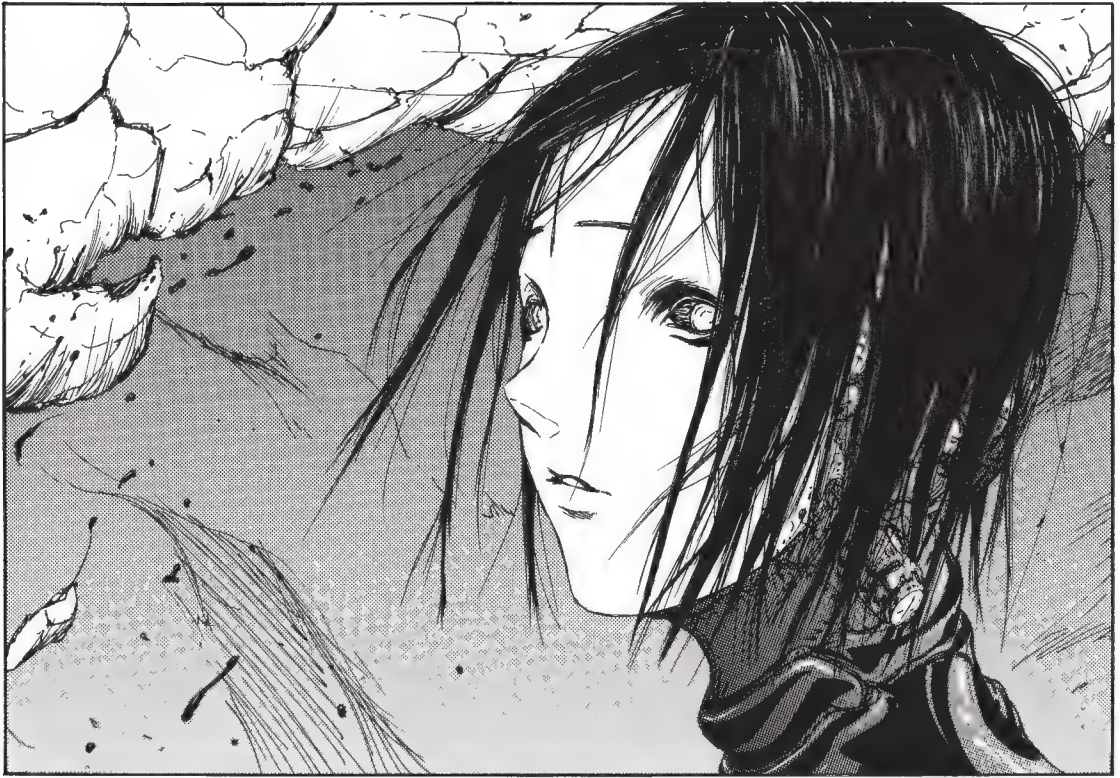
THE ILLEGAL
RESIDENTS
WHO DO NOT
POSSESS THE
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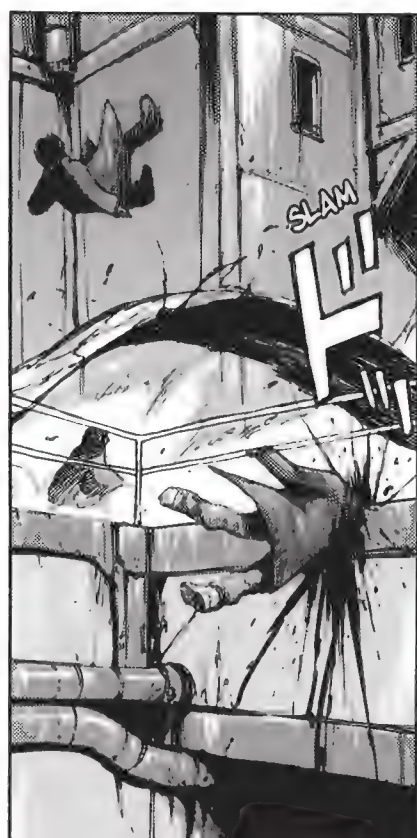
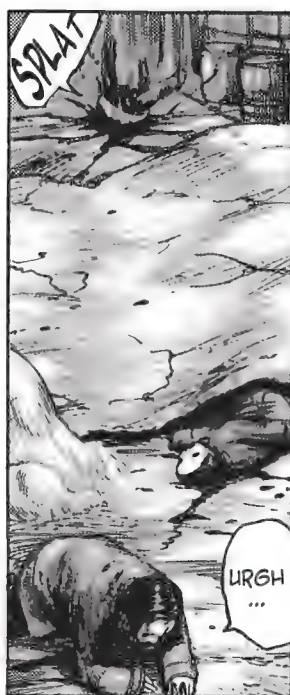
I/WE THE
SAFEGUARDS
WILL NOW
REMOVE YOU.

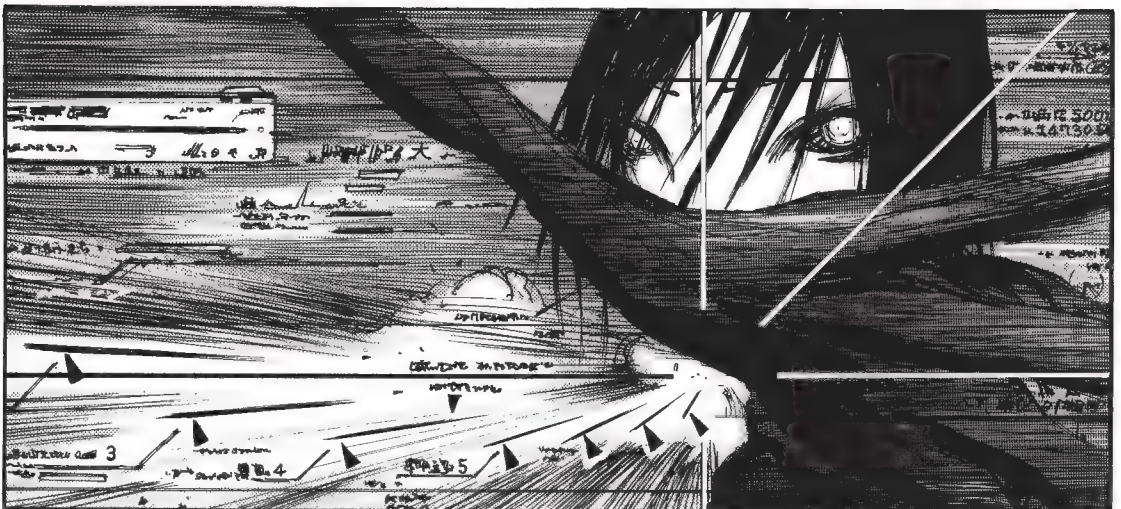
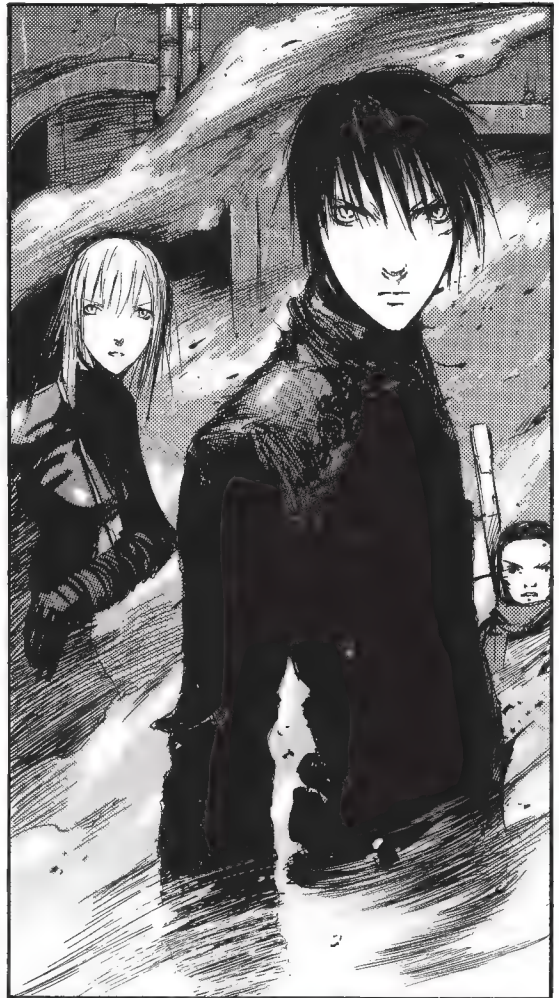






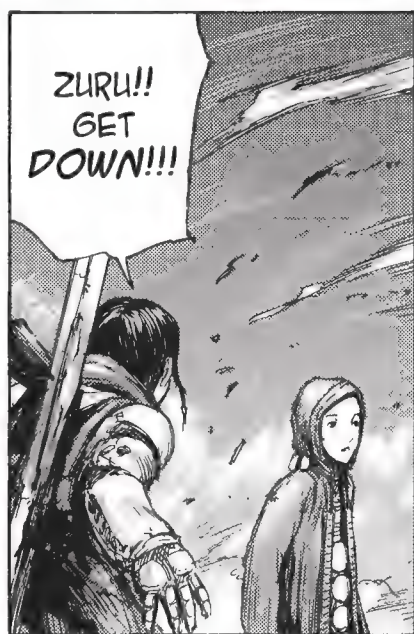
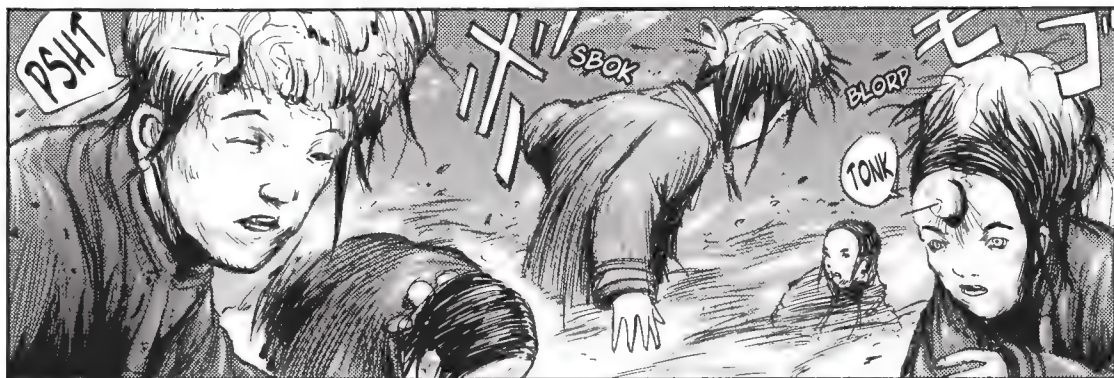




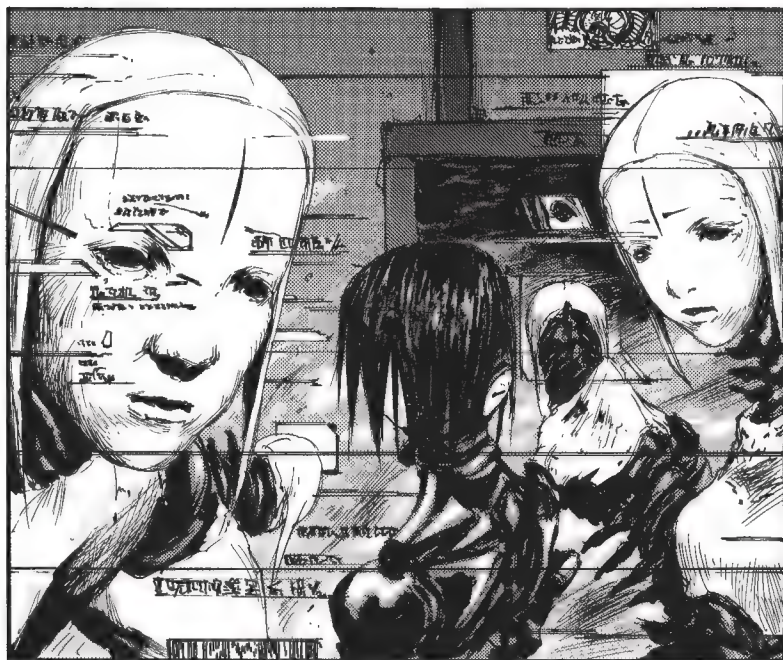


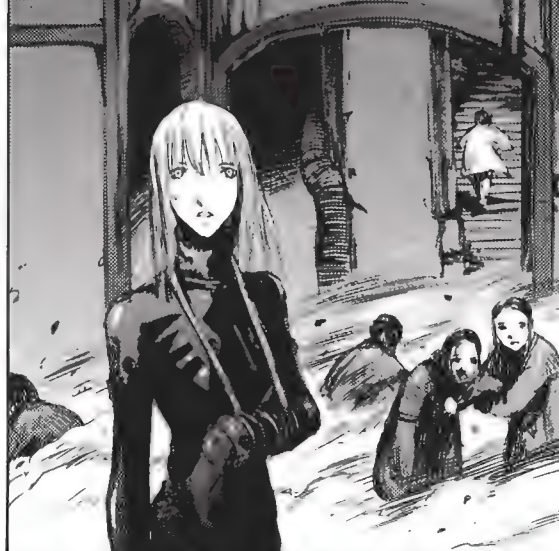
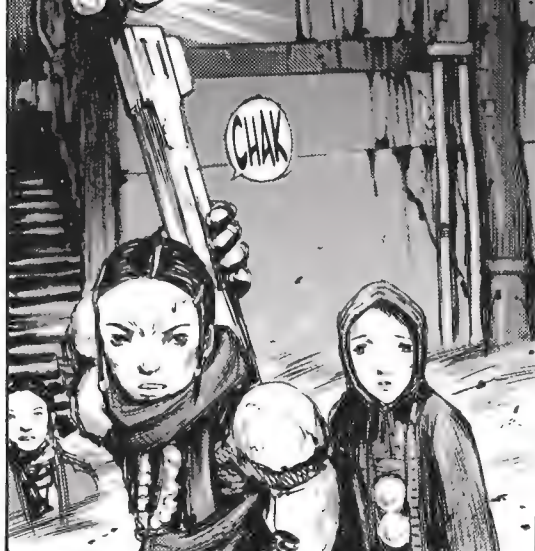


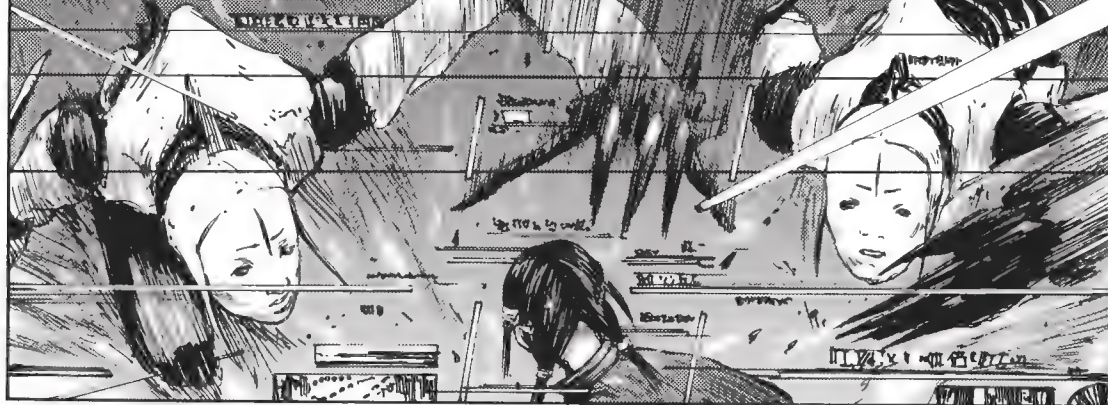
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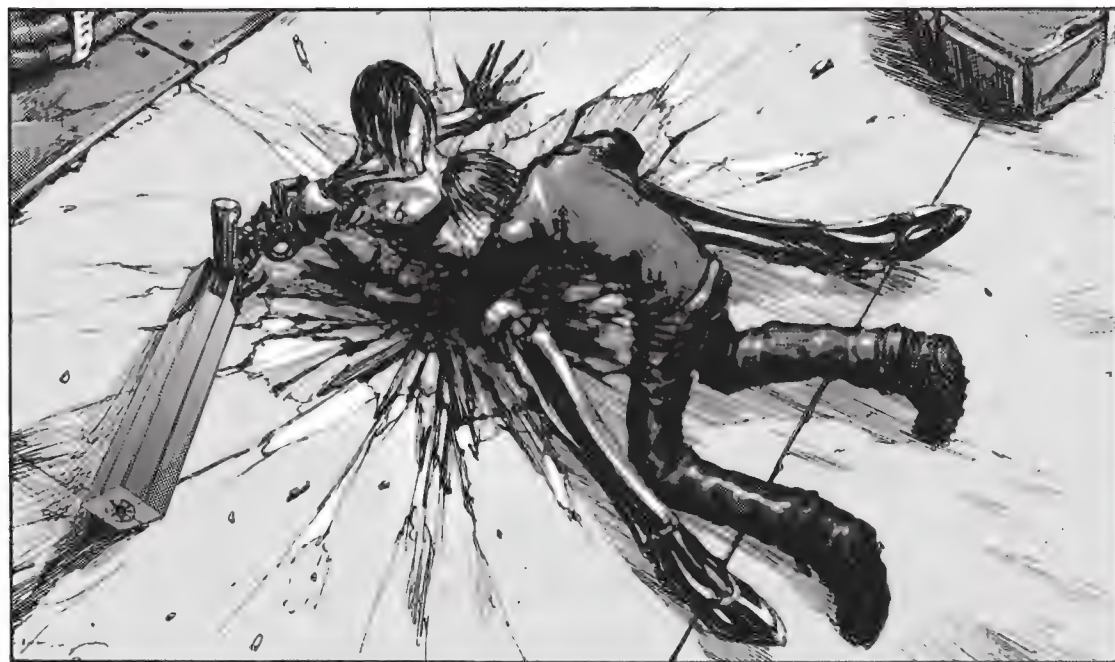


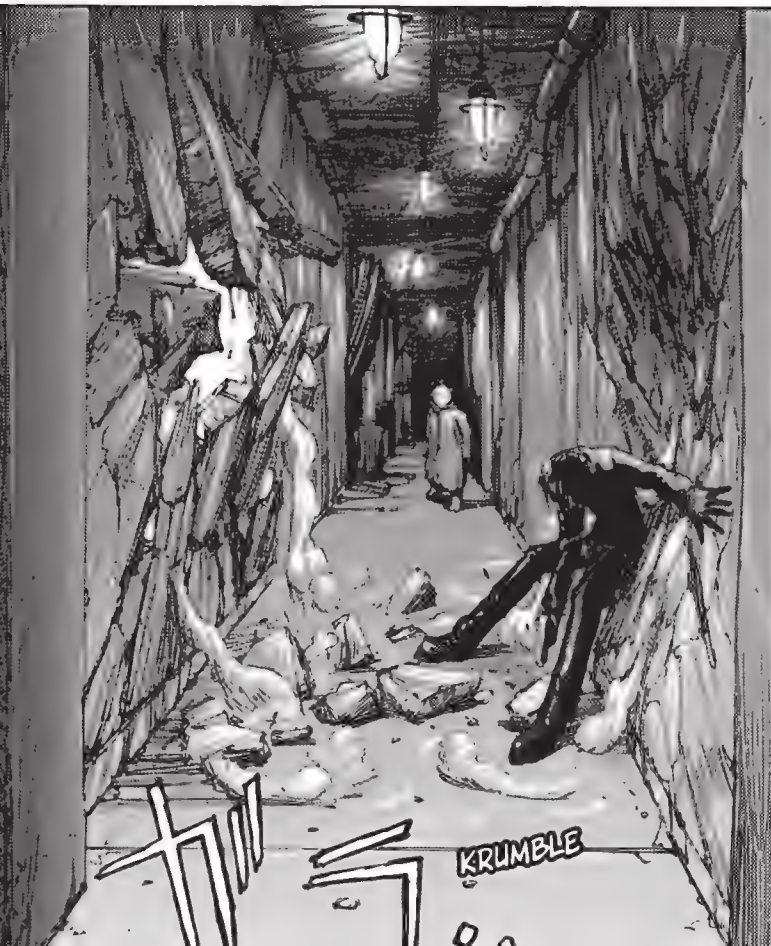
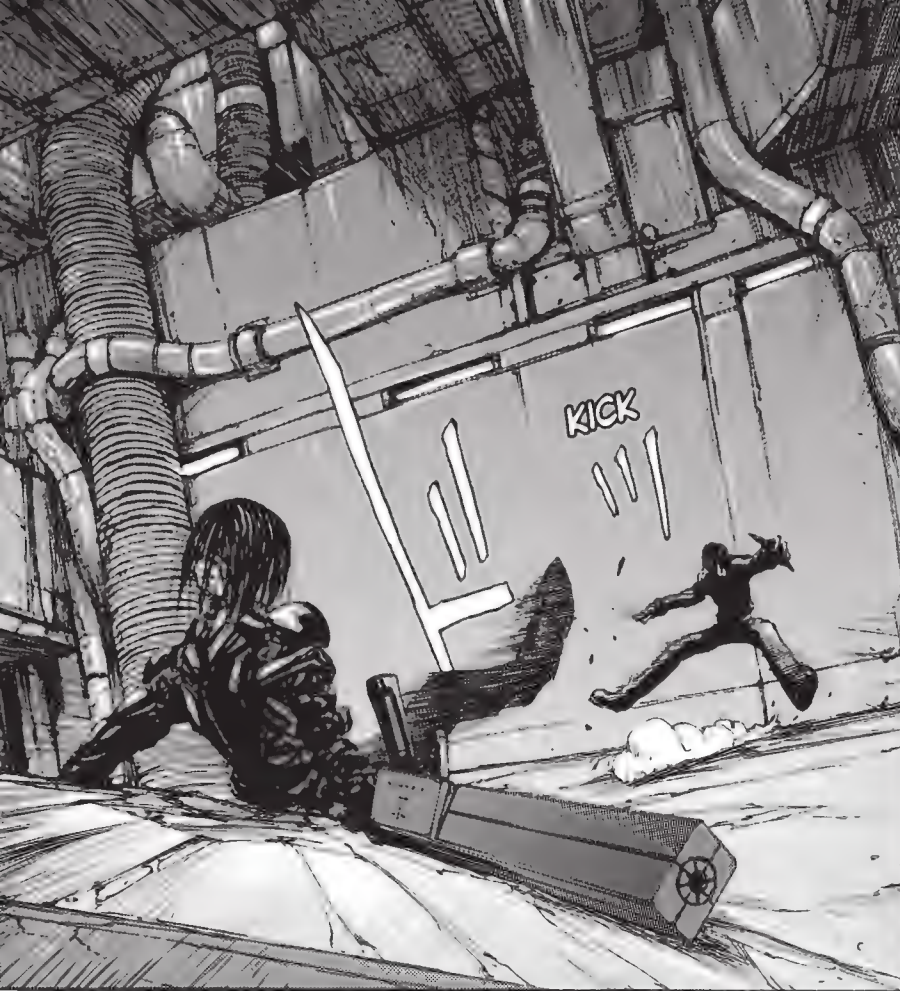


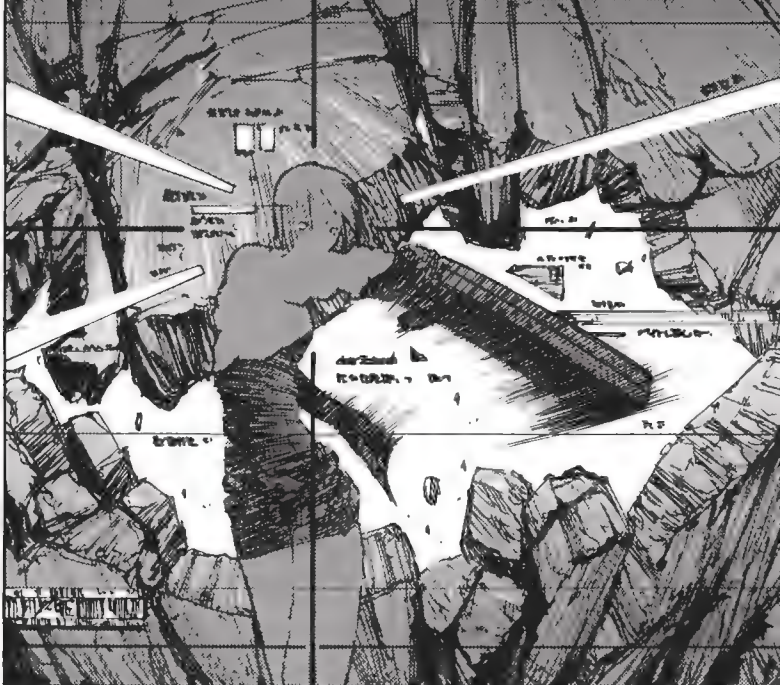
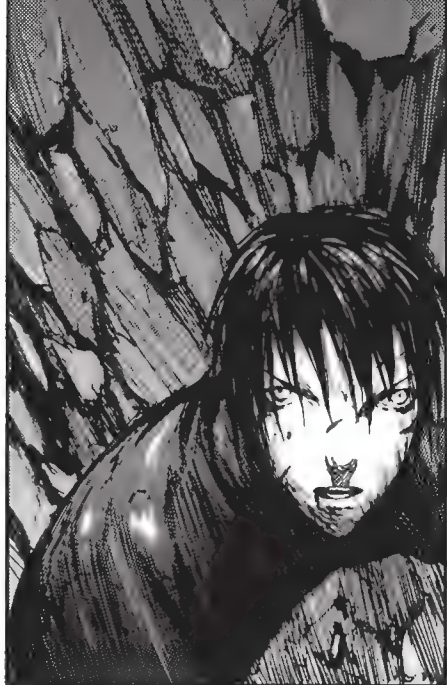


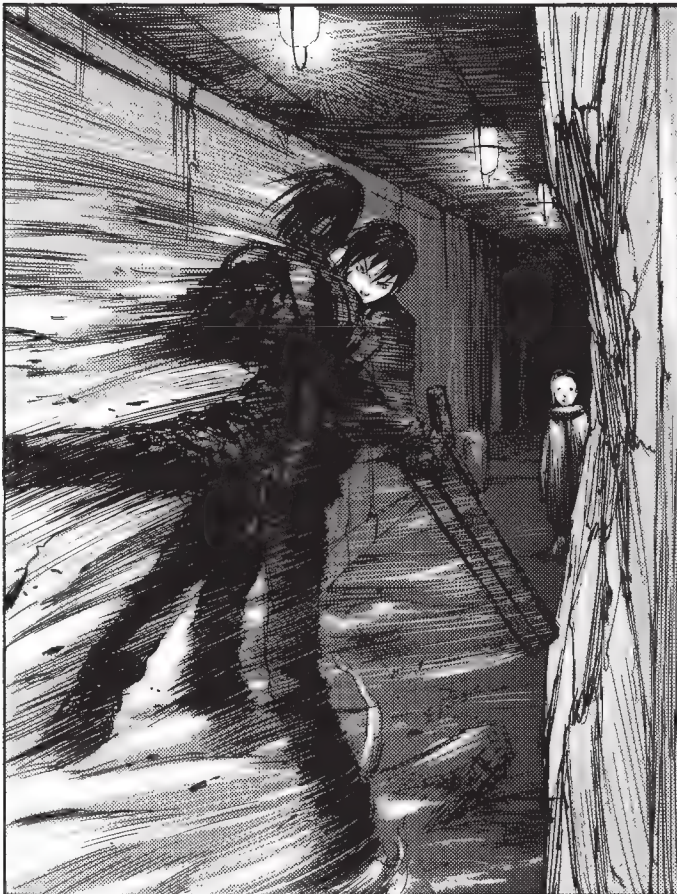
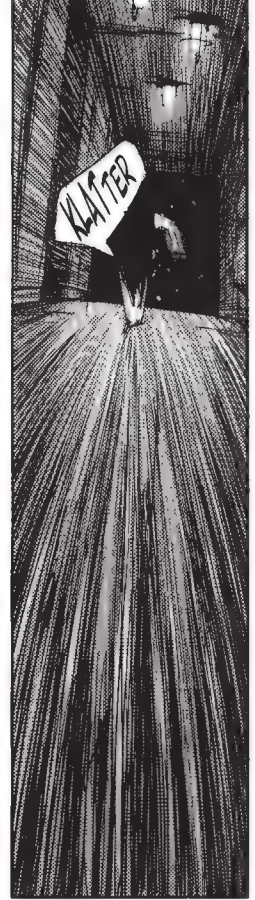


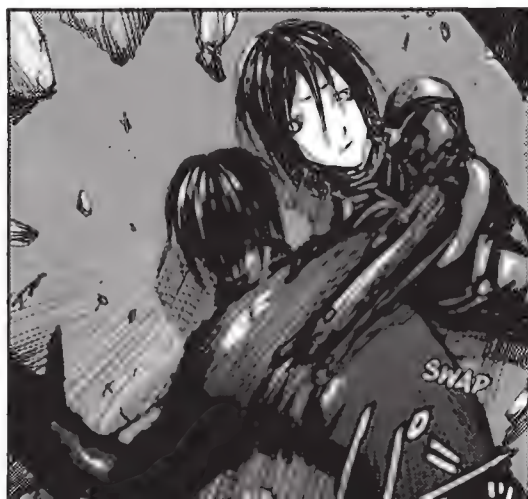


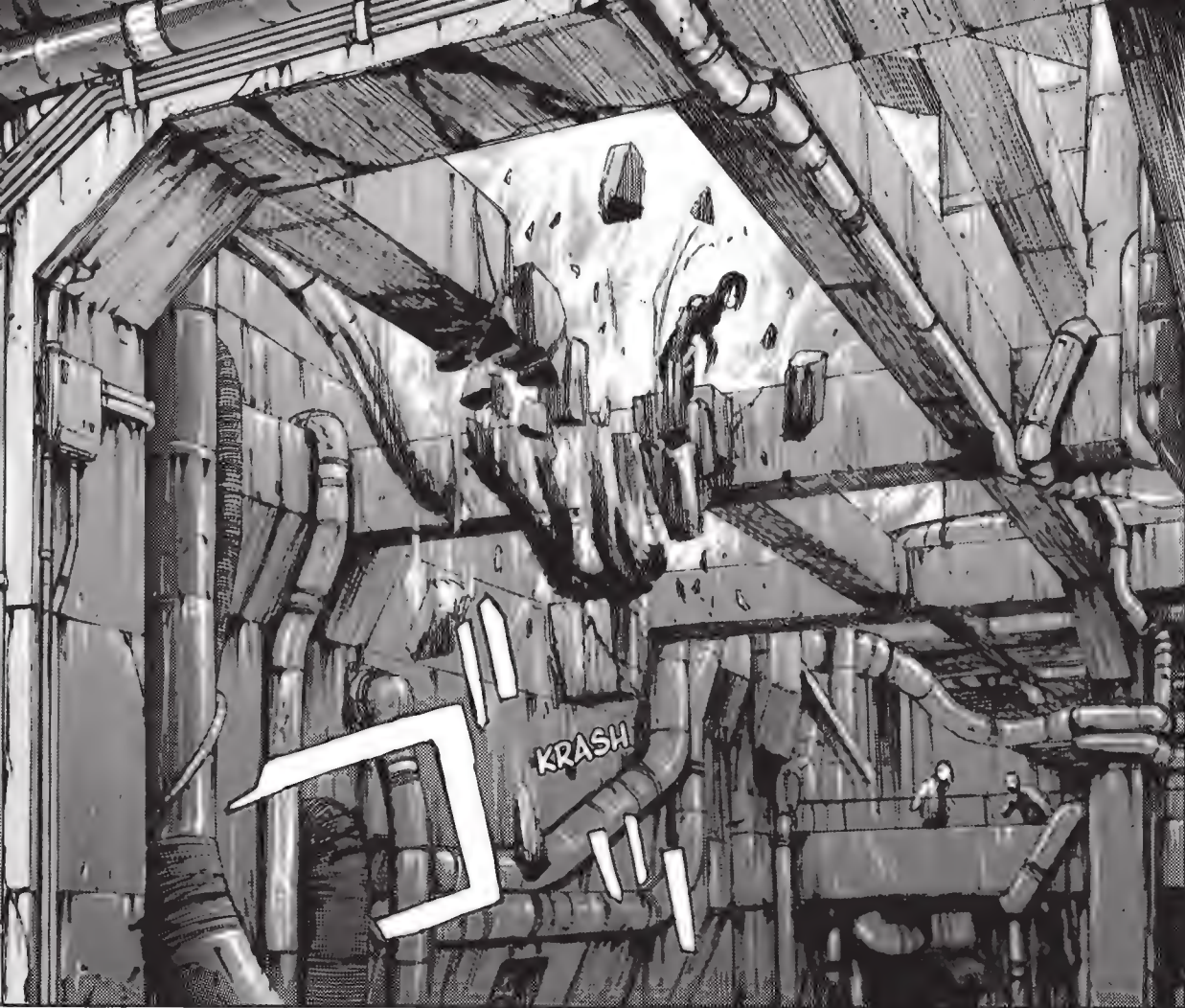


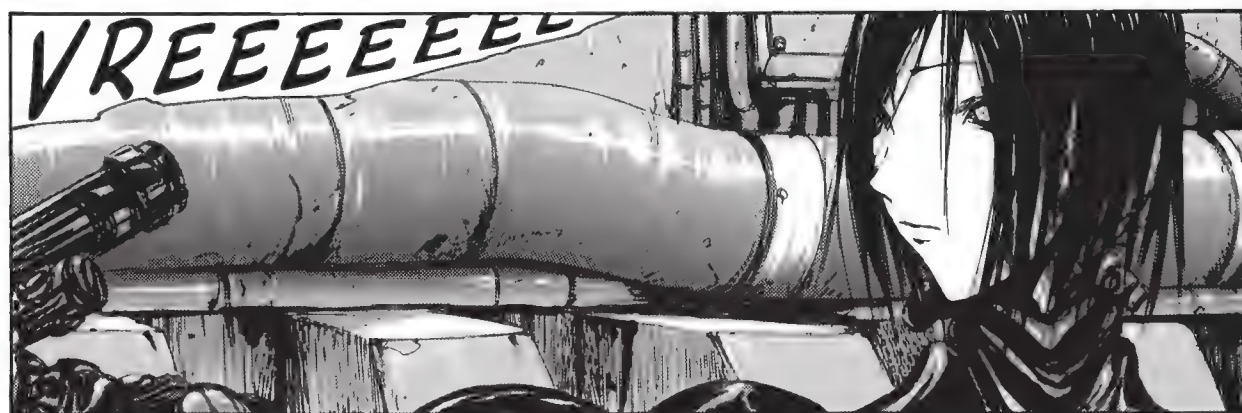
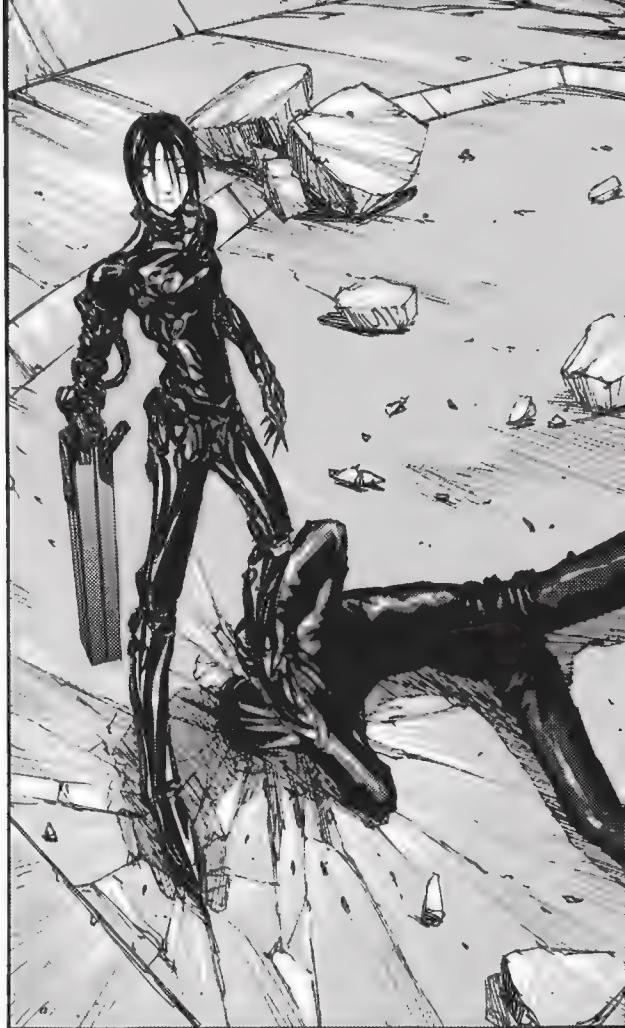
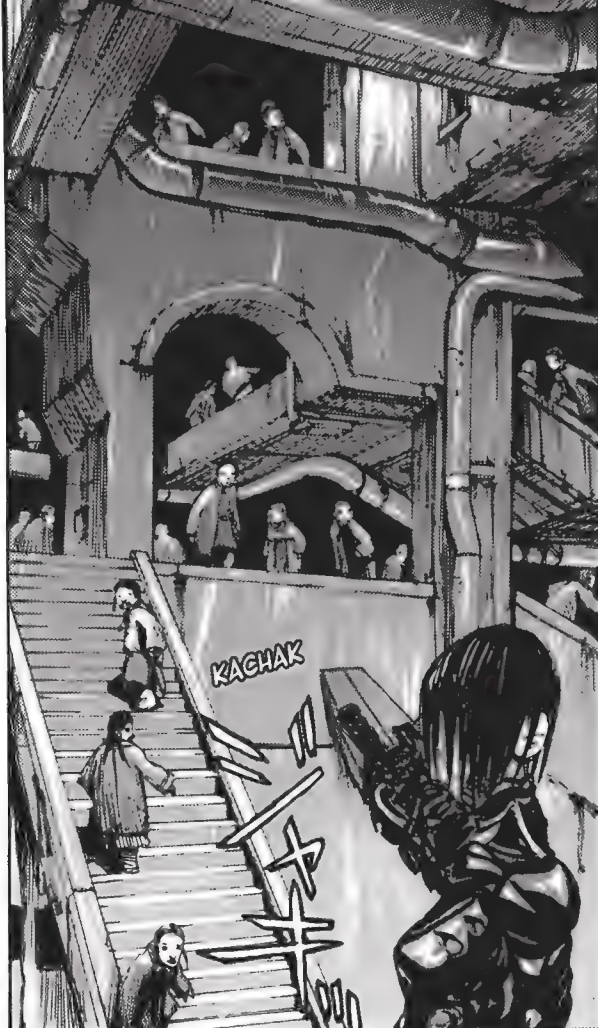


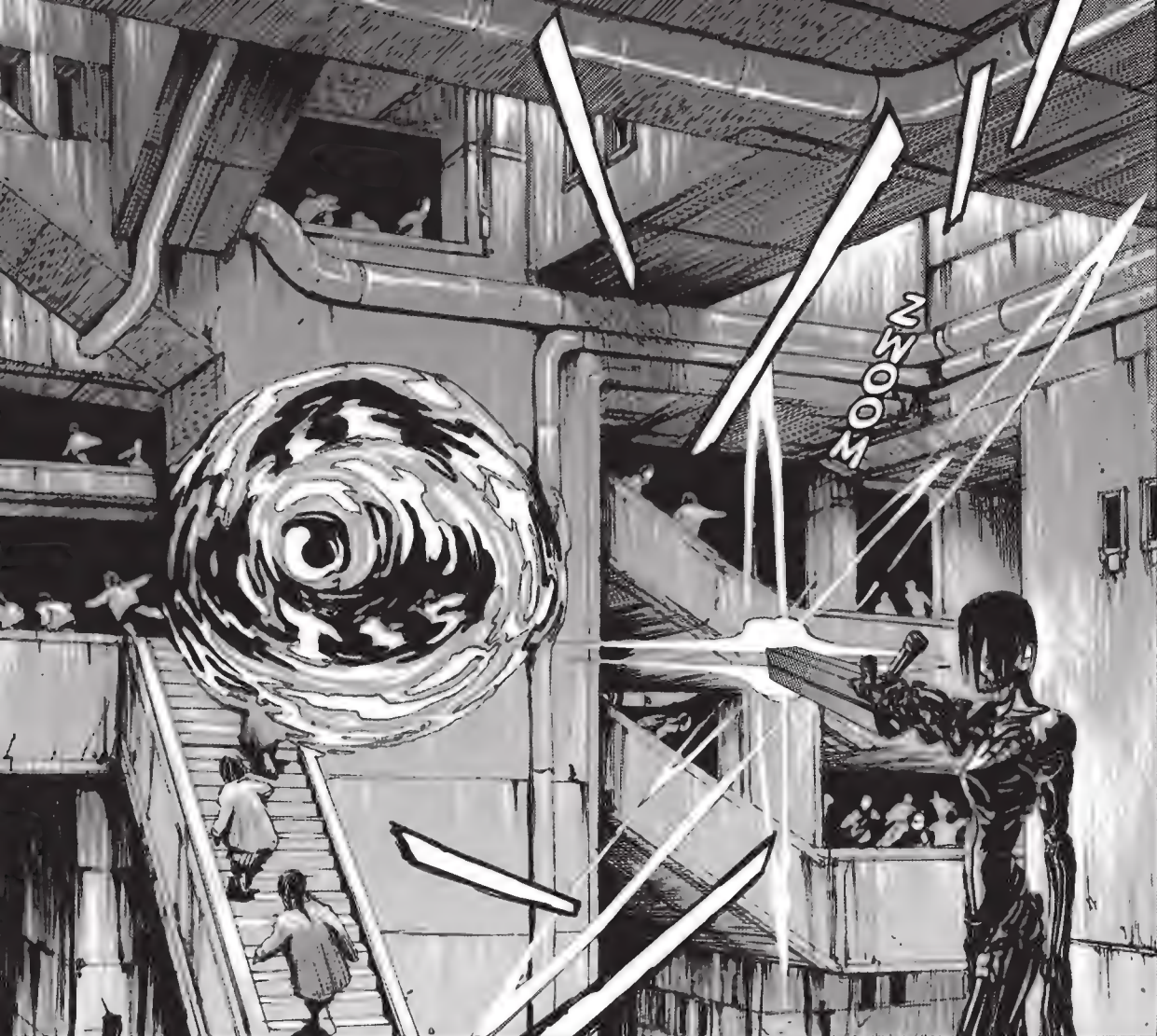


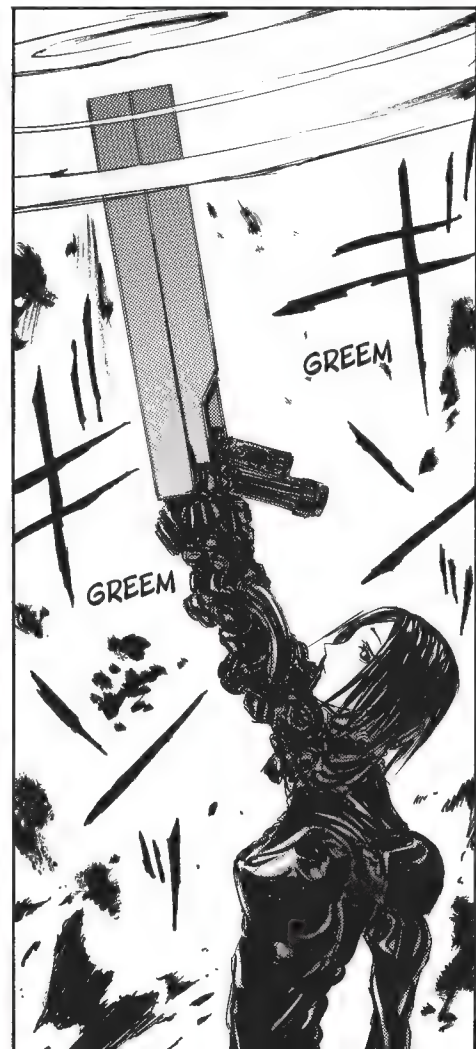
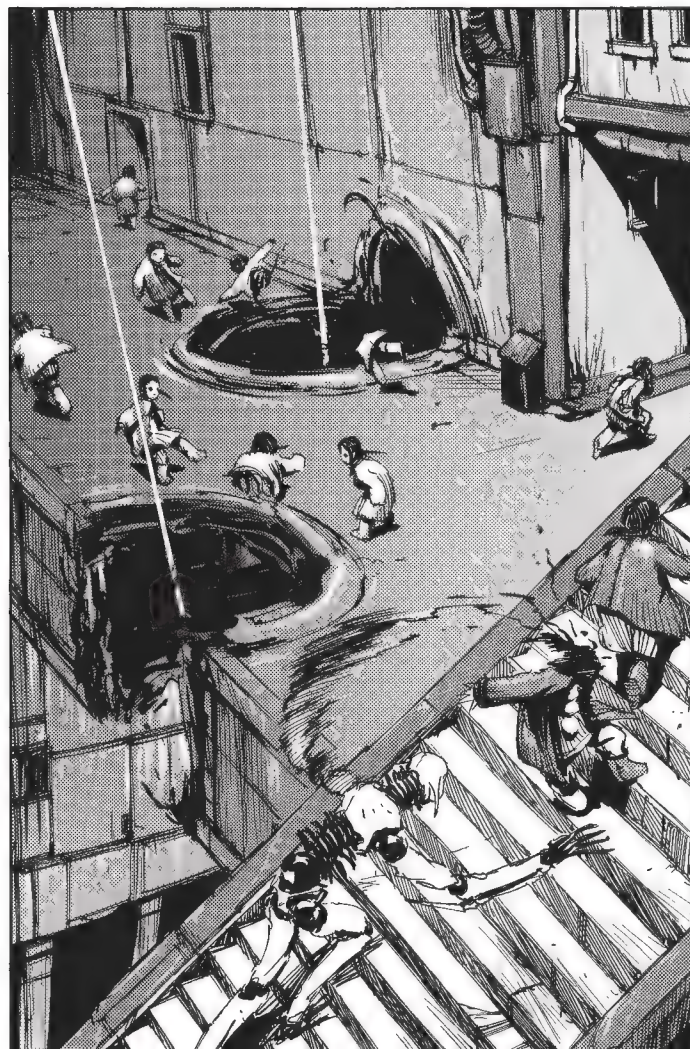


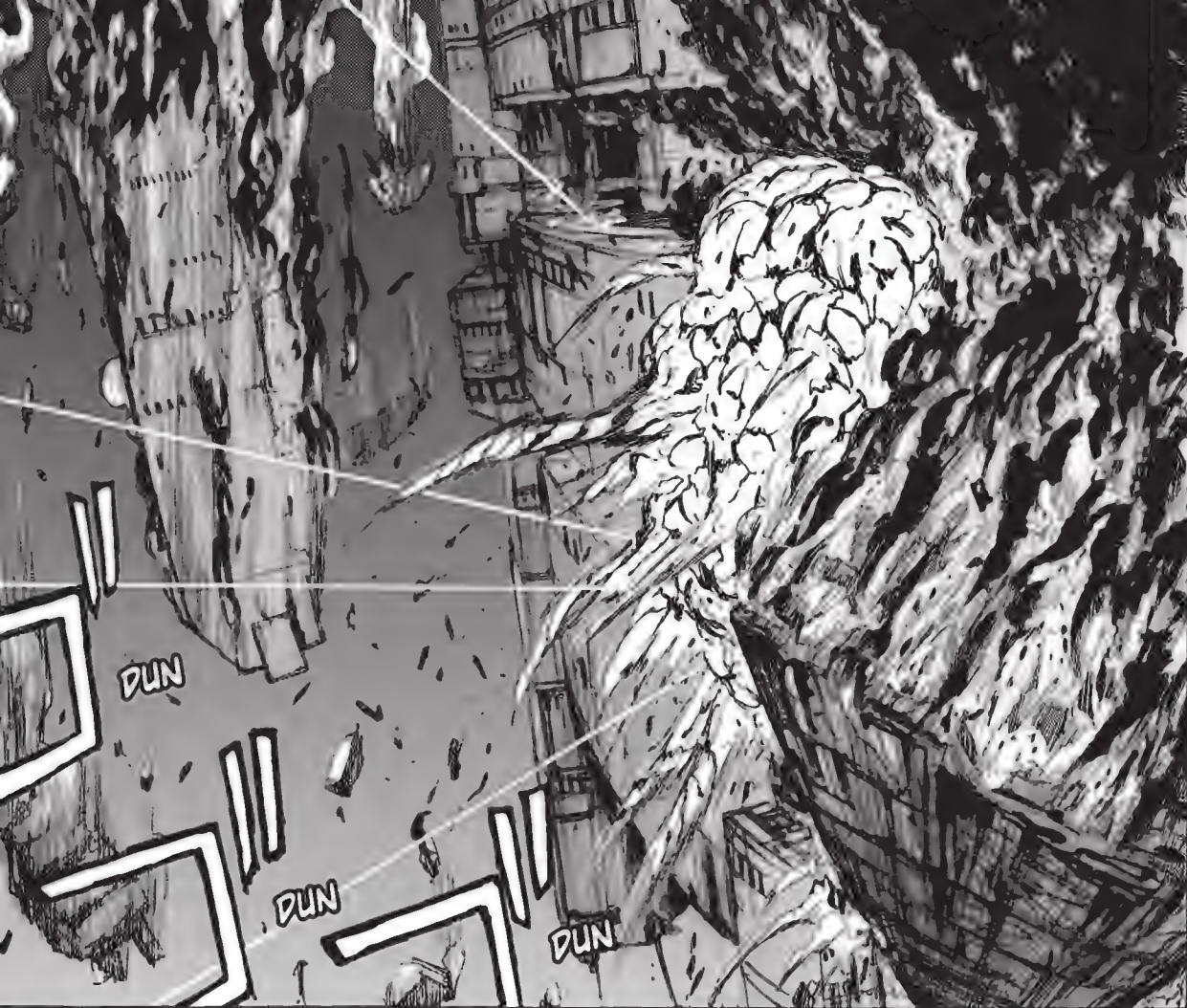


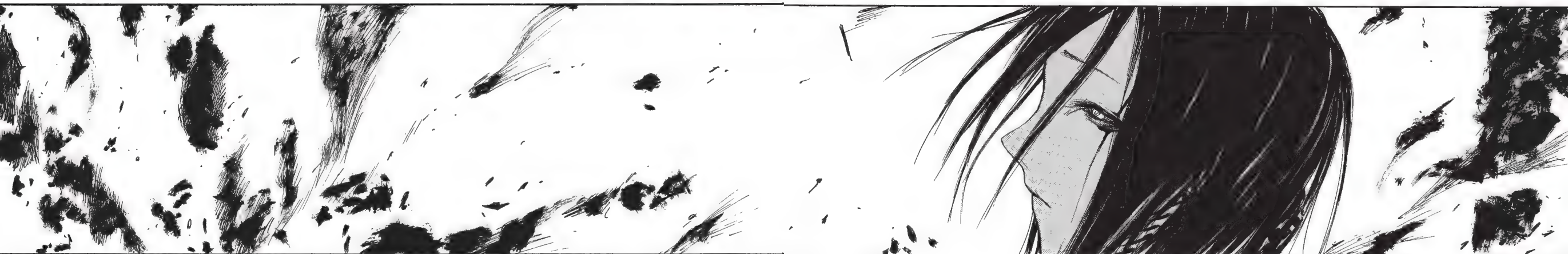


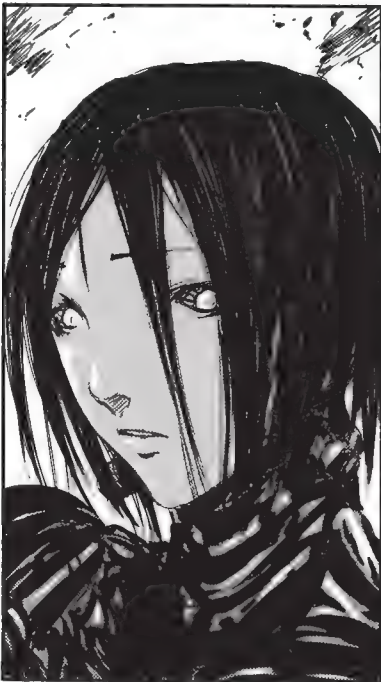
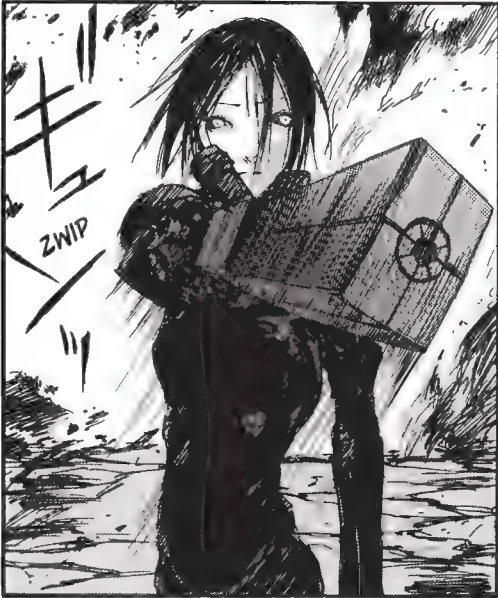
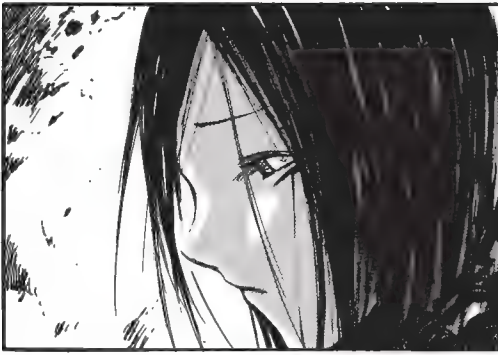


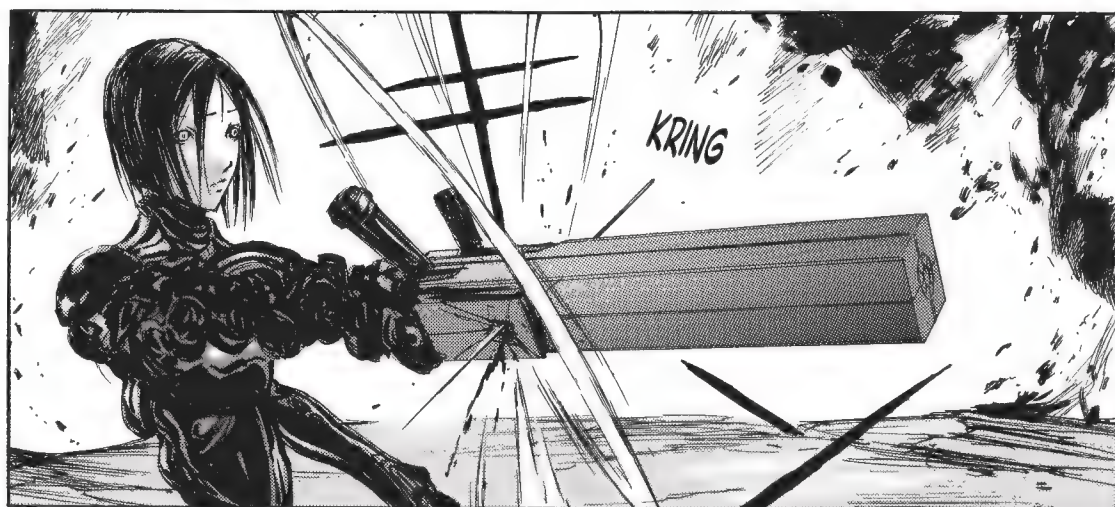




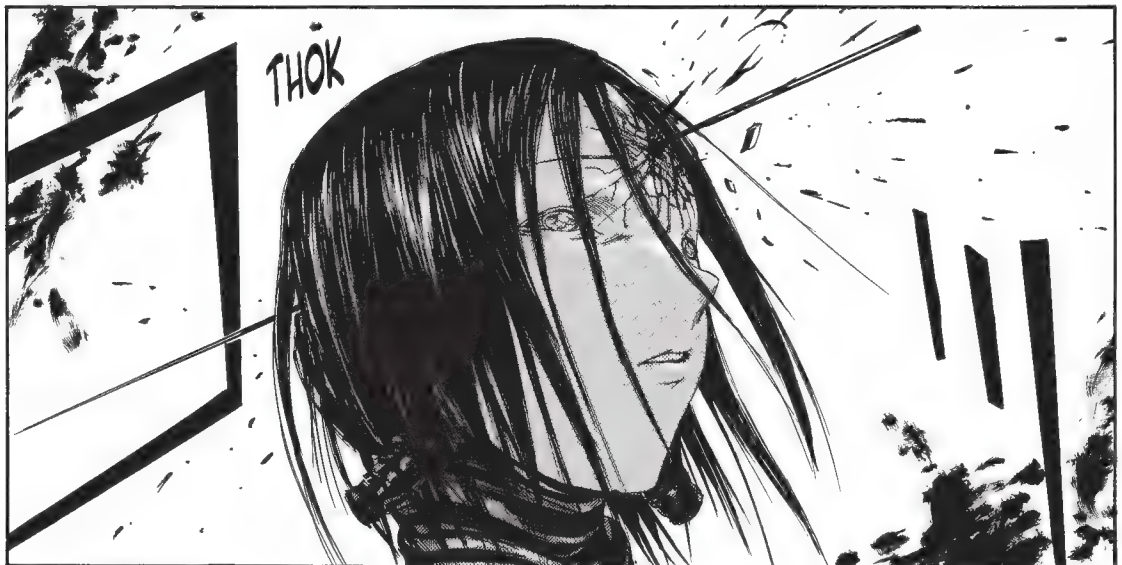
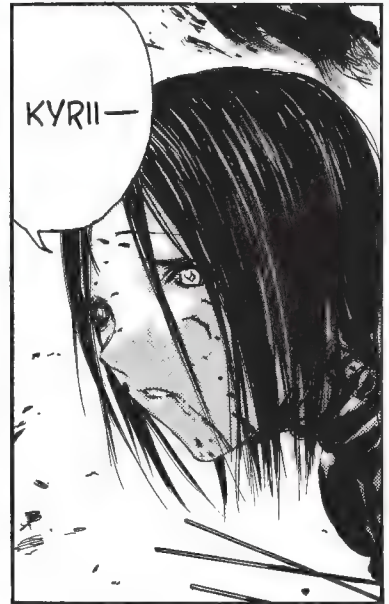
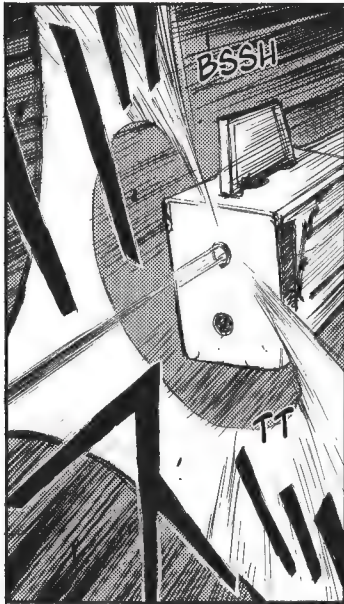


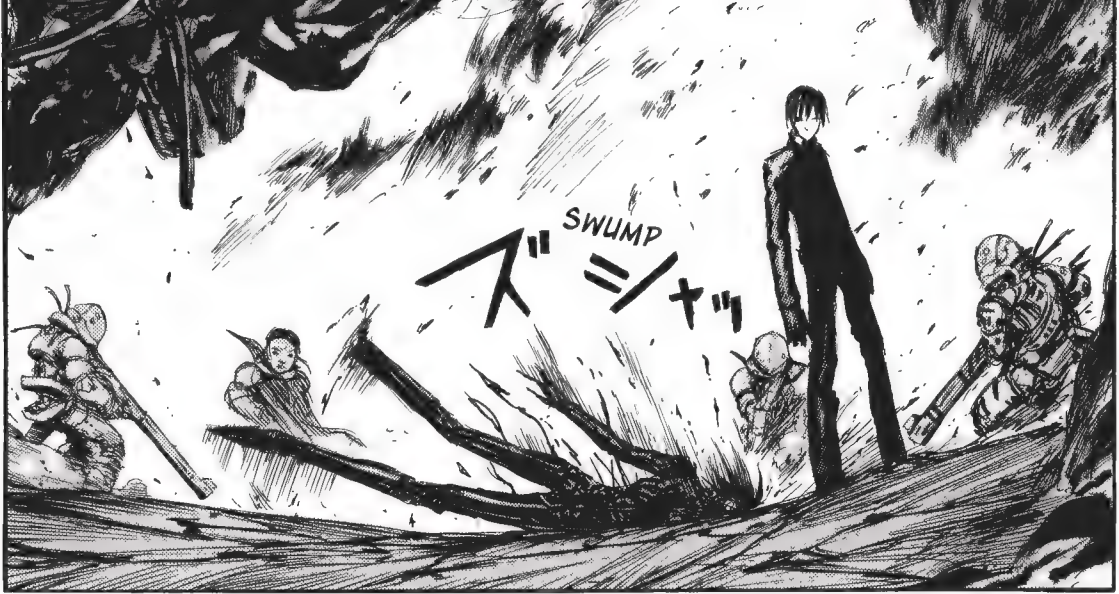


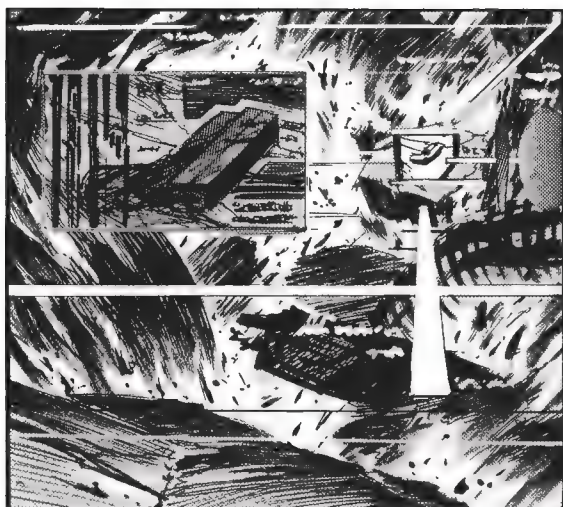


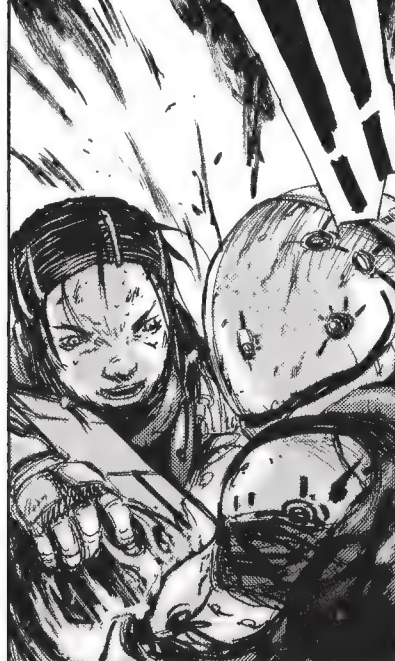


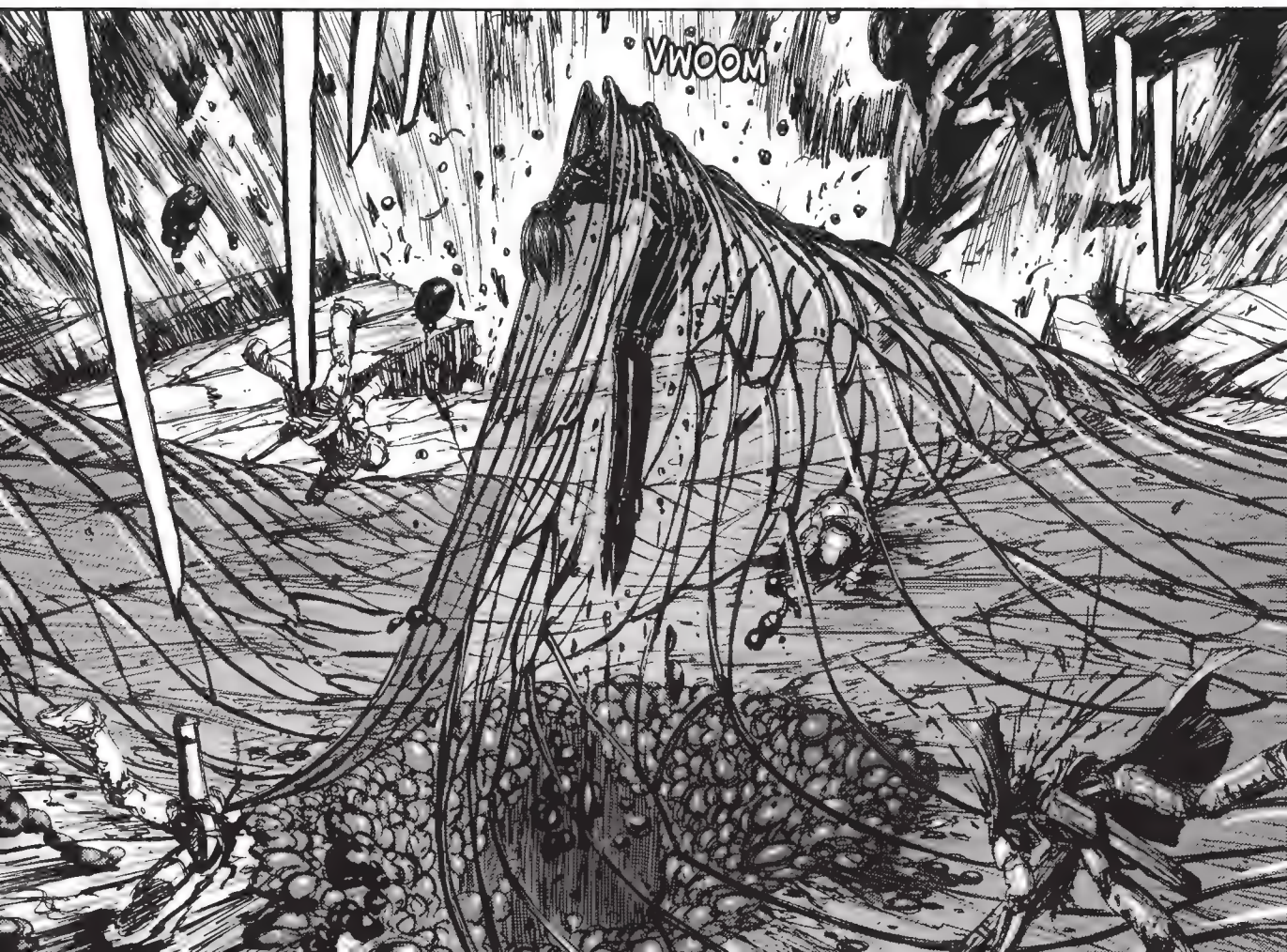
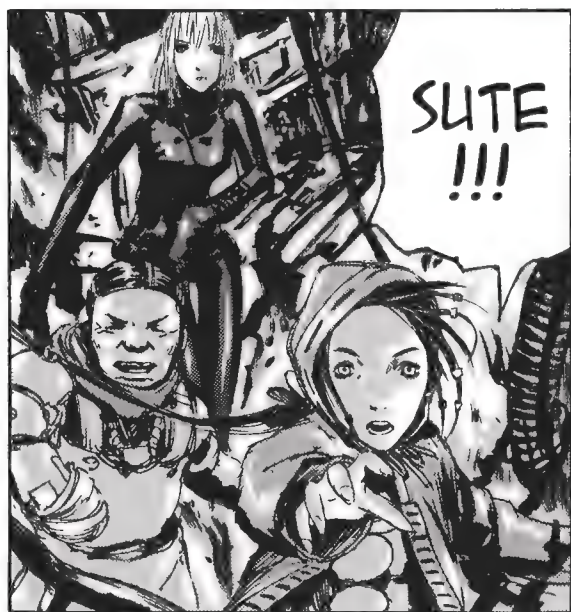


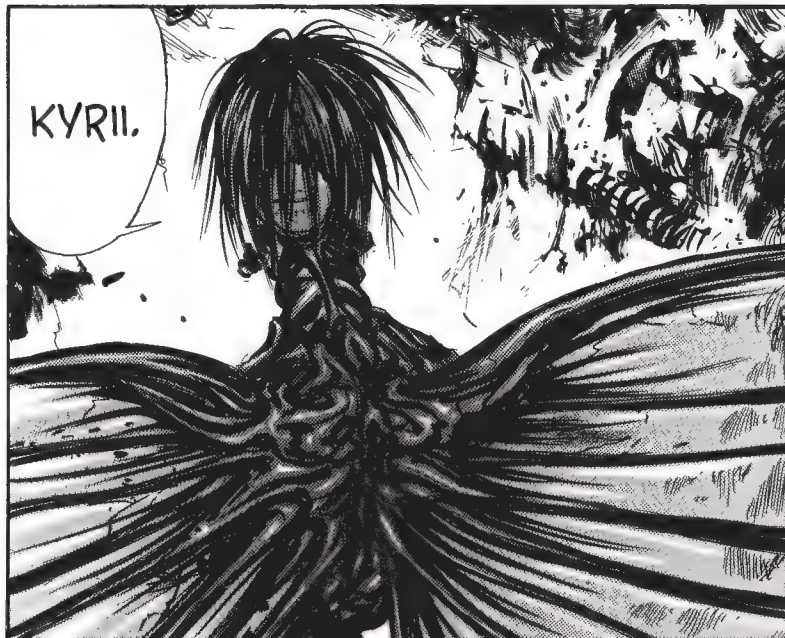


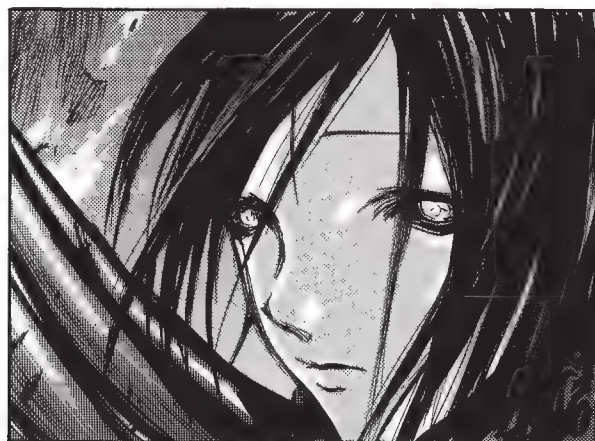


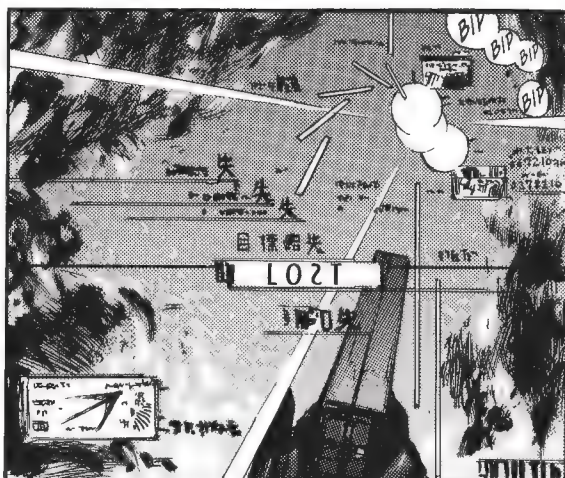


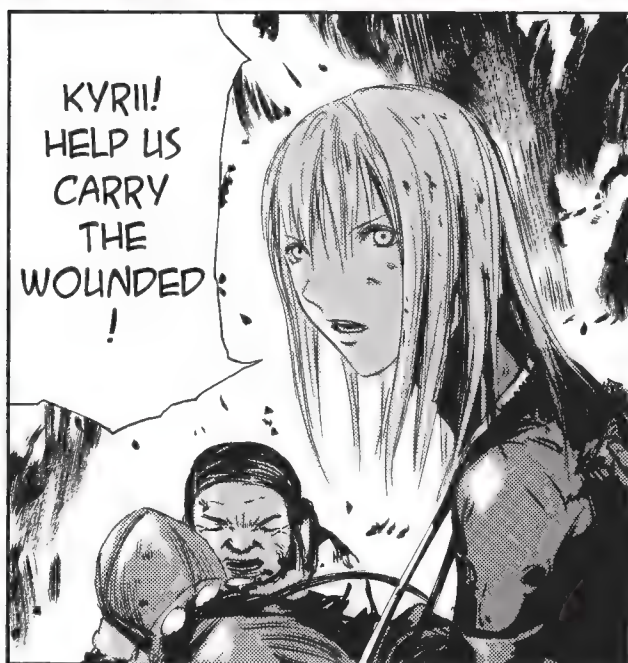






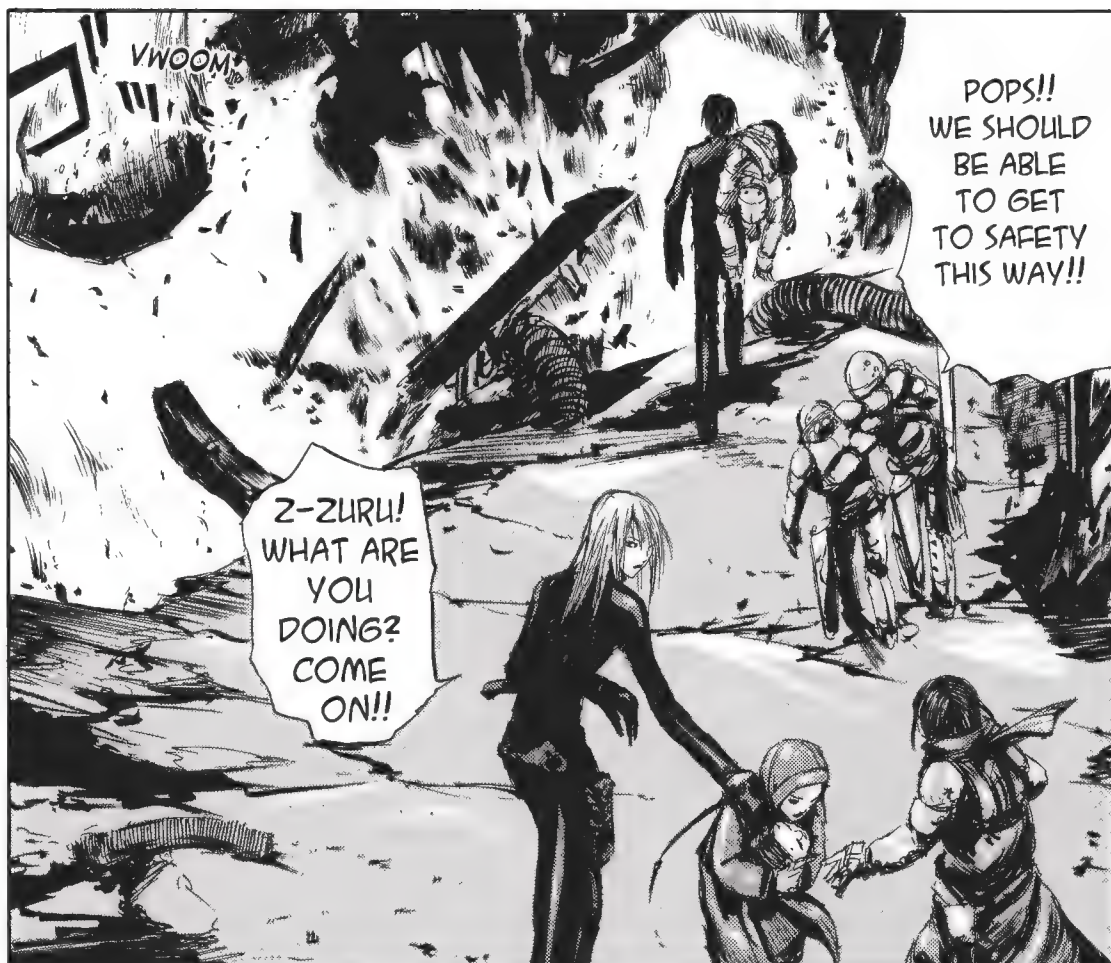


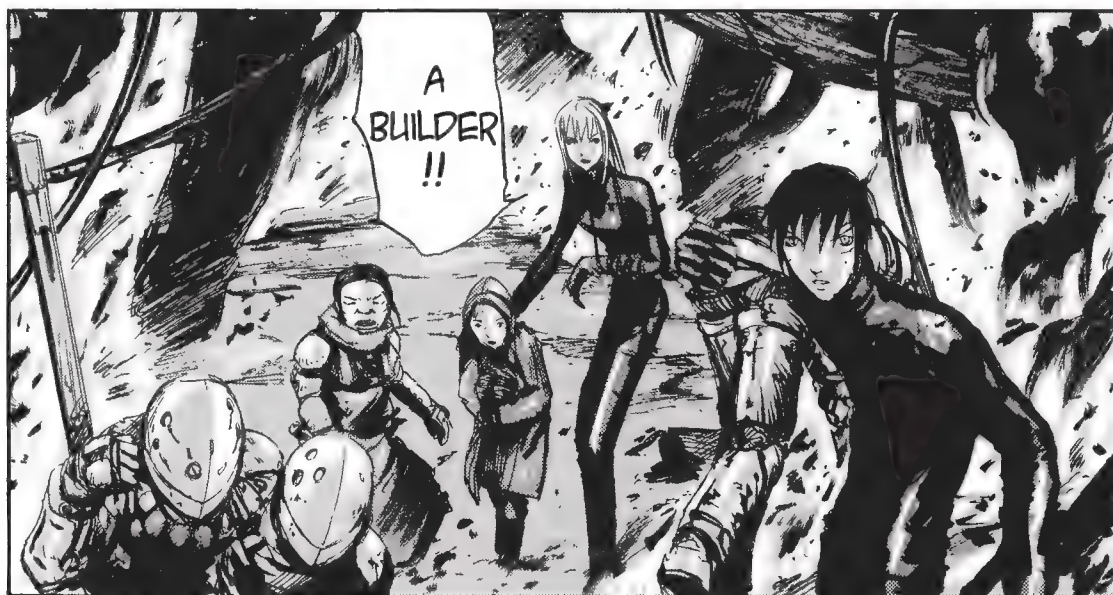


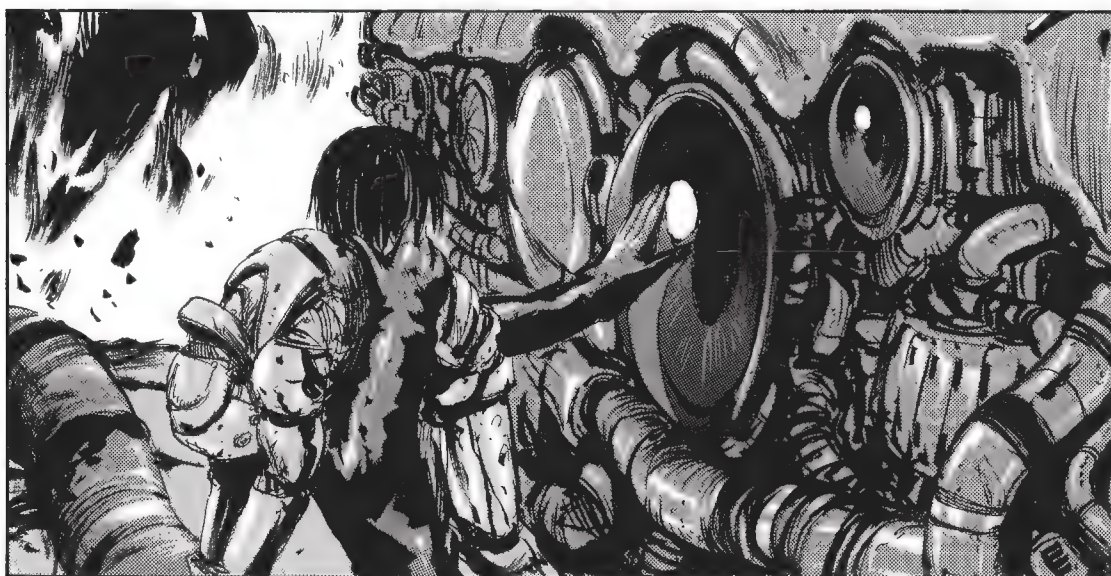
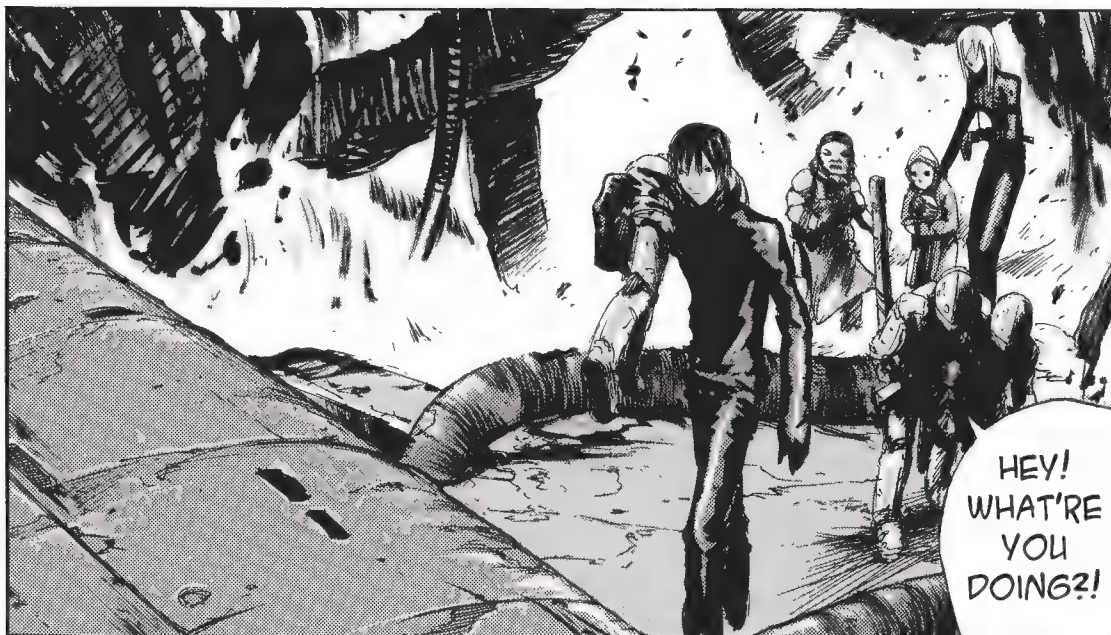
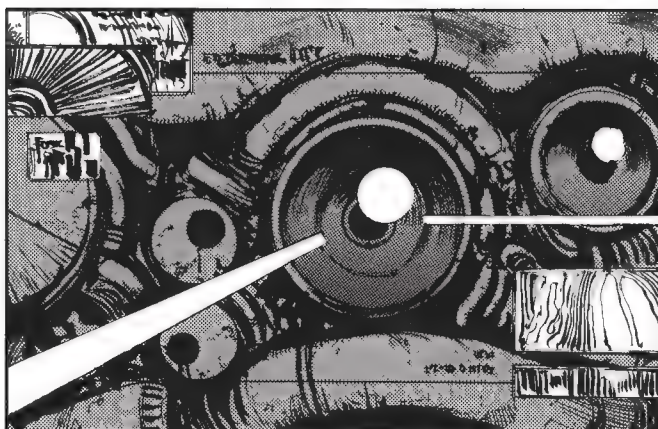


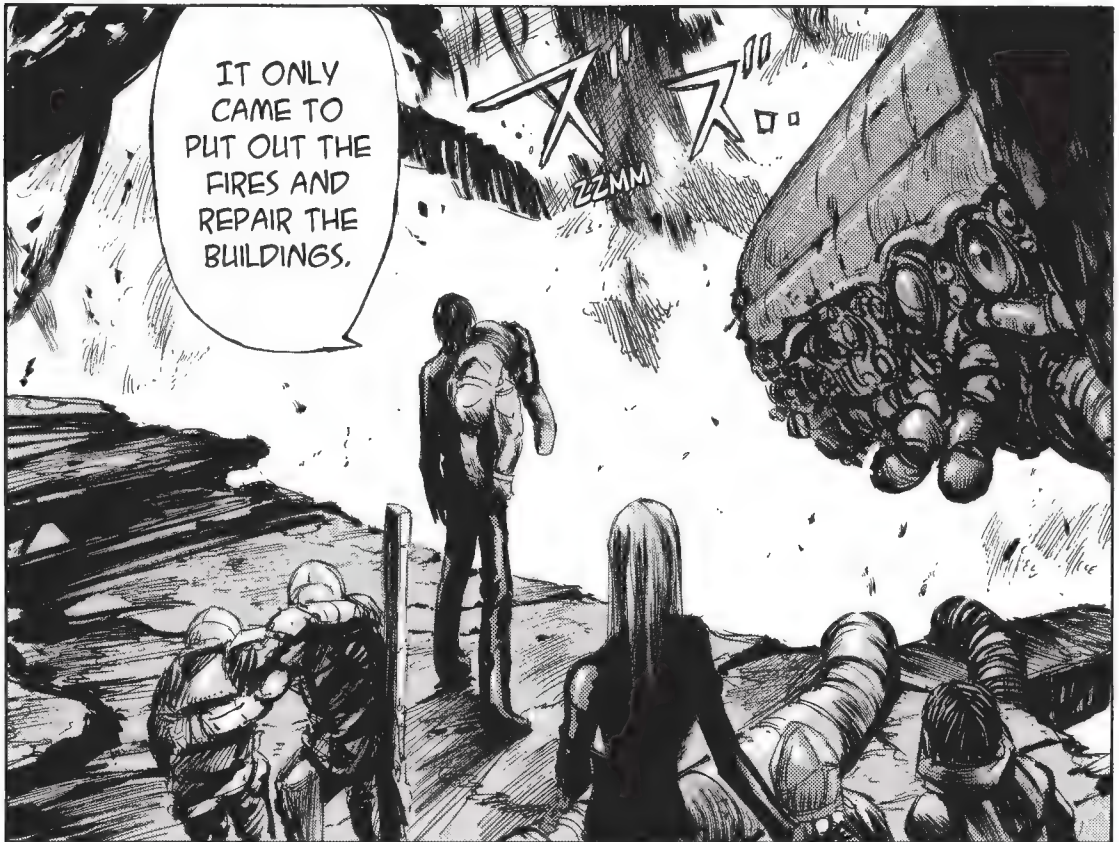
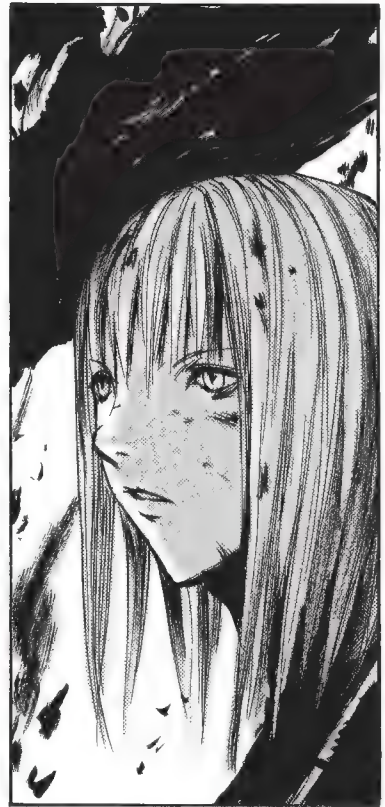


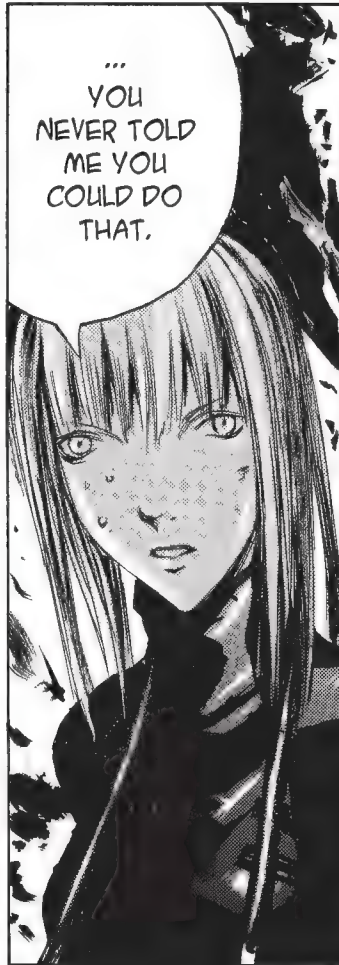
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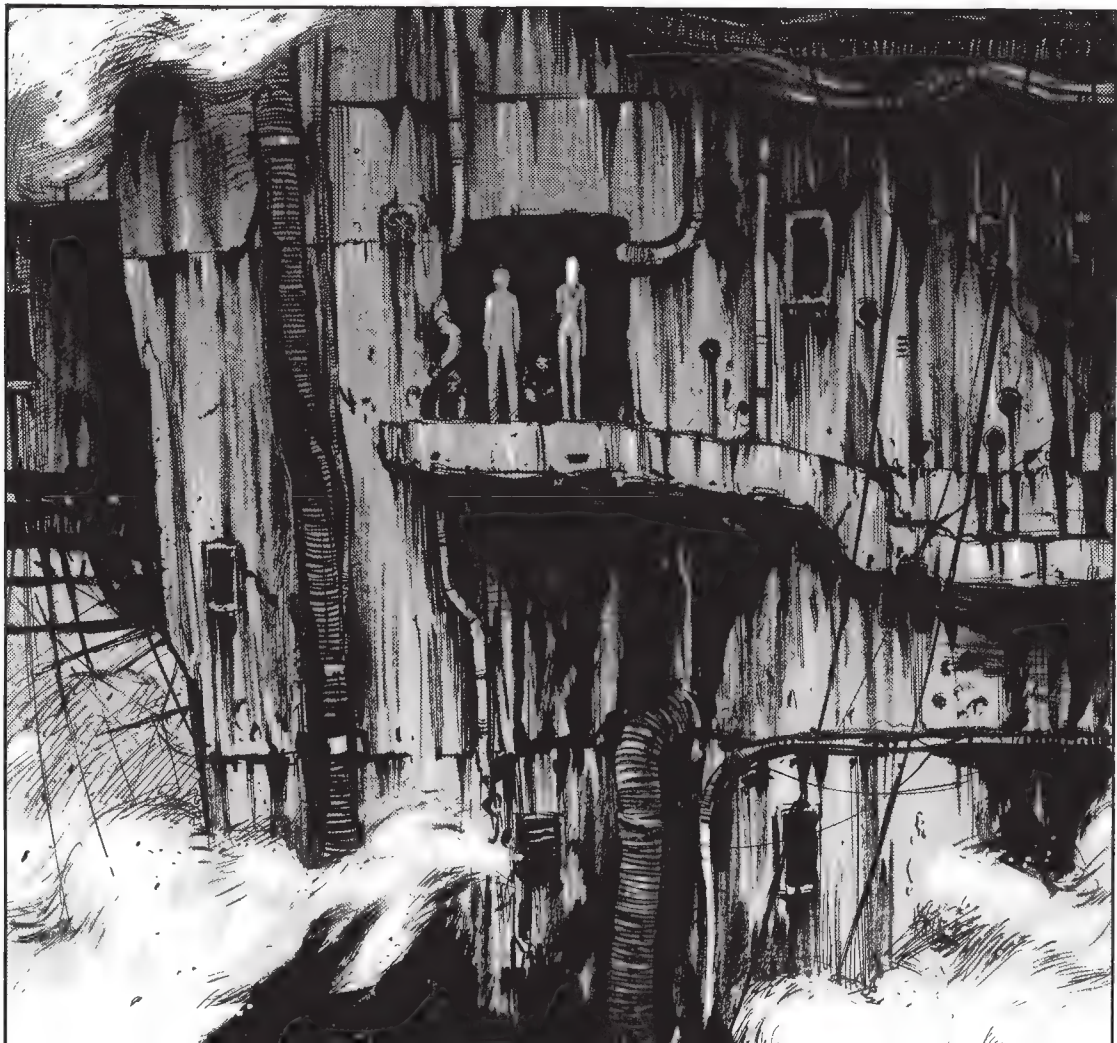
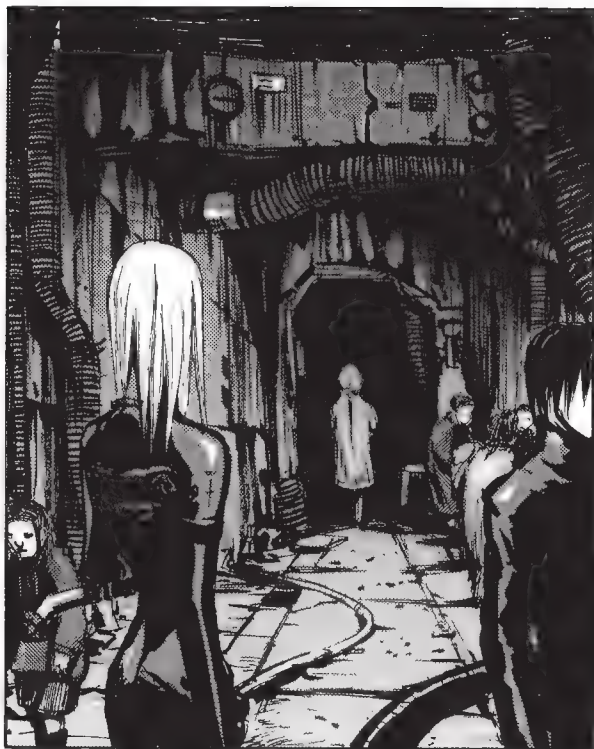
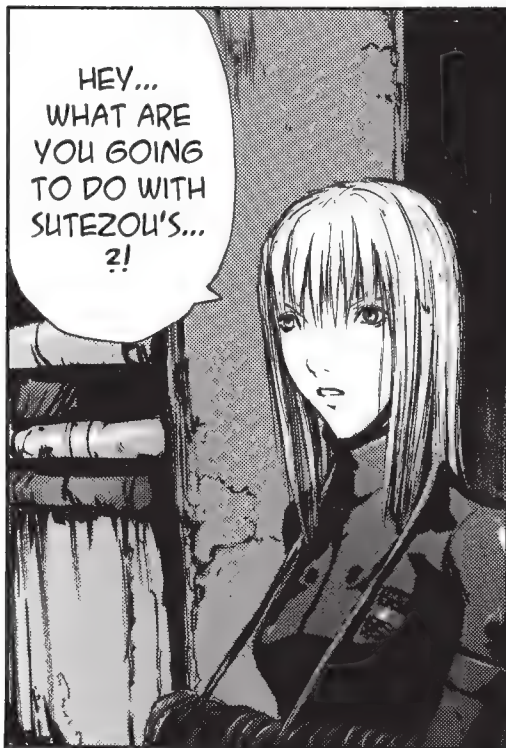


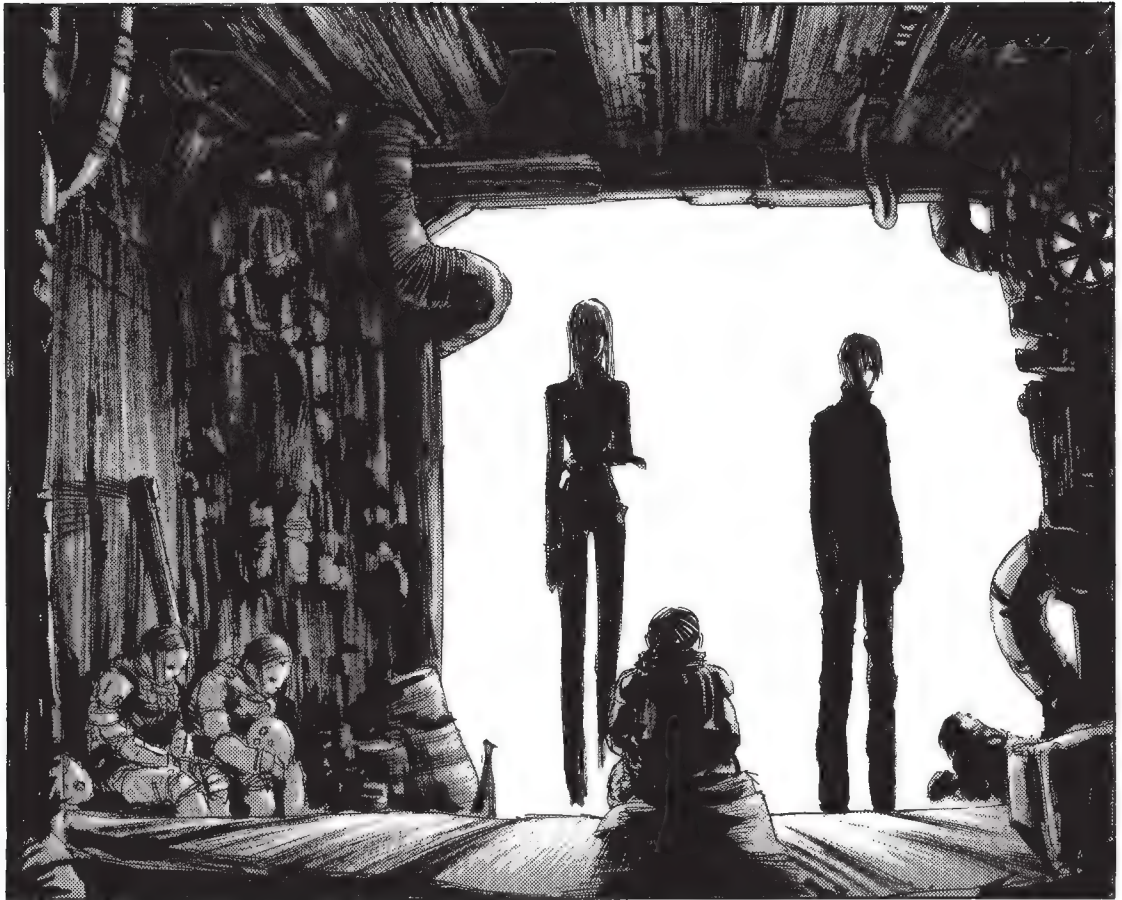














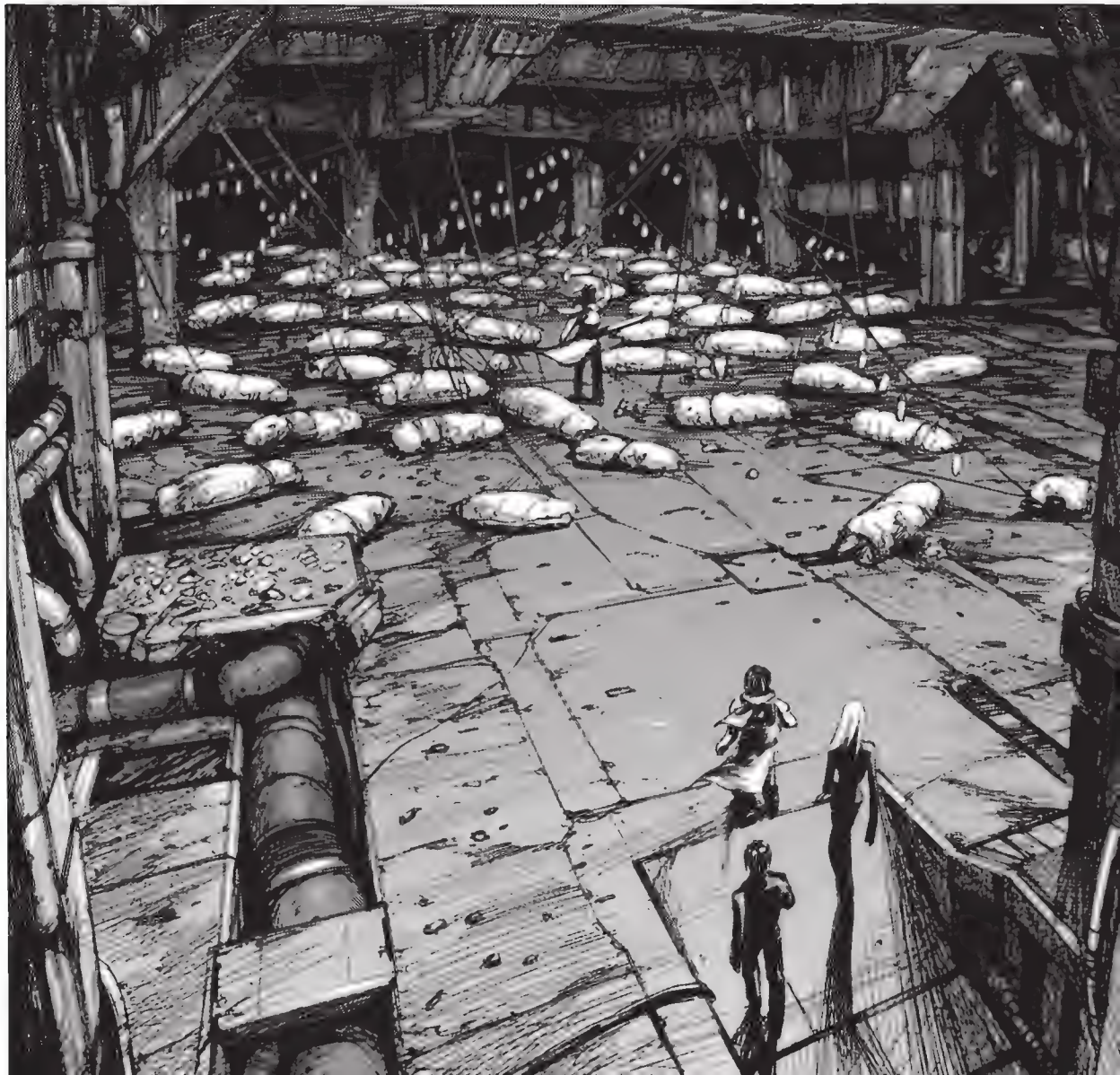
POPS, THERE'S
NO WAY WE CAN
DEFEND AGAINST
ANOTHER
ONE...

MOST OF THE
ELECTRO-FISHERS
DIED IN THAT
ASSAULT JUST
NOW.



GO AND
TELL EVERYONE.
AS SOON AS
WE'RE READY, WE
WILL EVACUATE
TO TOHA HEAVY
INDUSTRIES.

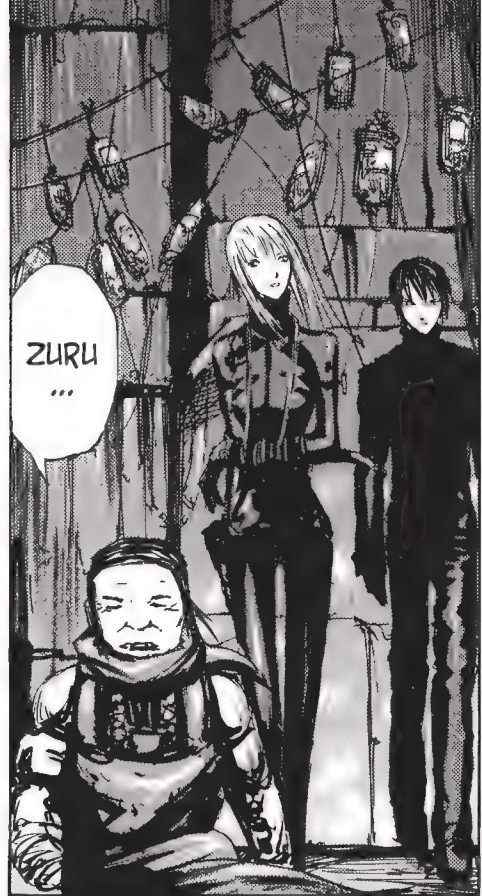
YOU'RE
RIGHT...





I'LL BE
DONE
SOON.

I
KNOW.

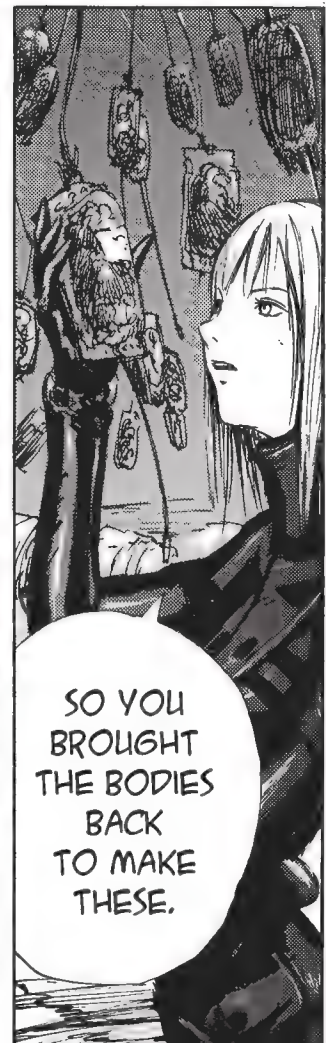
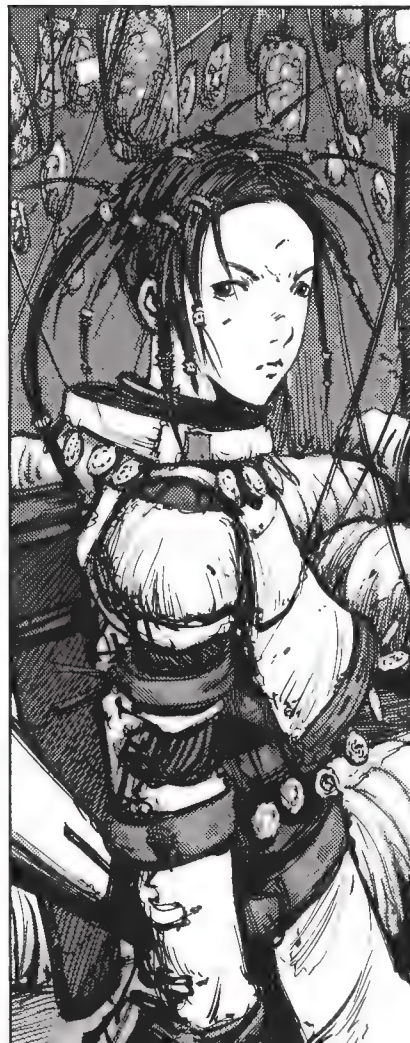


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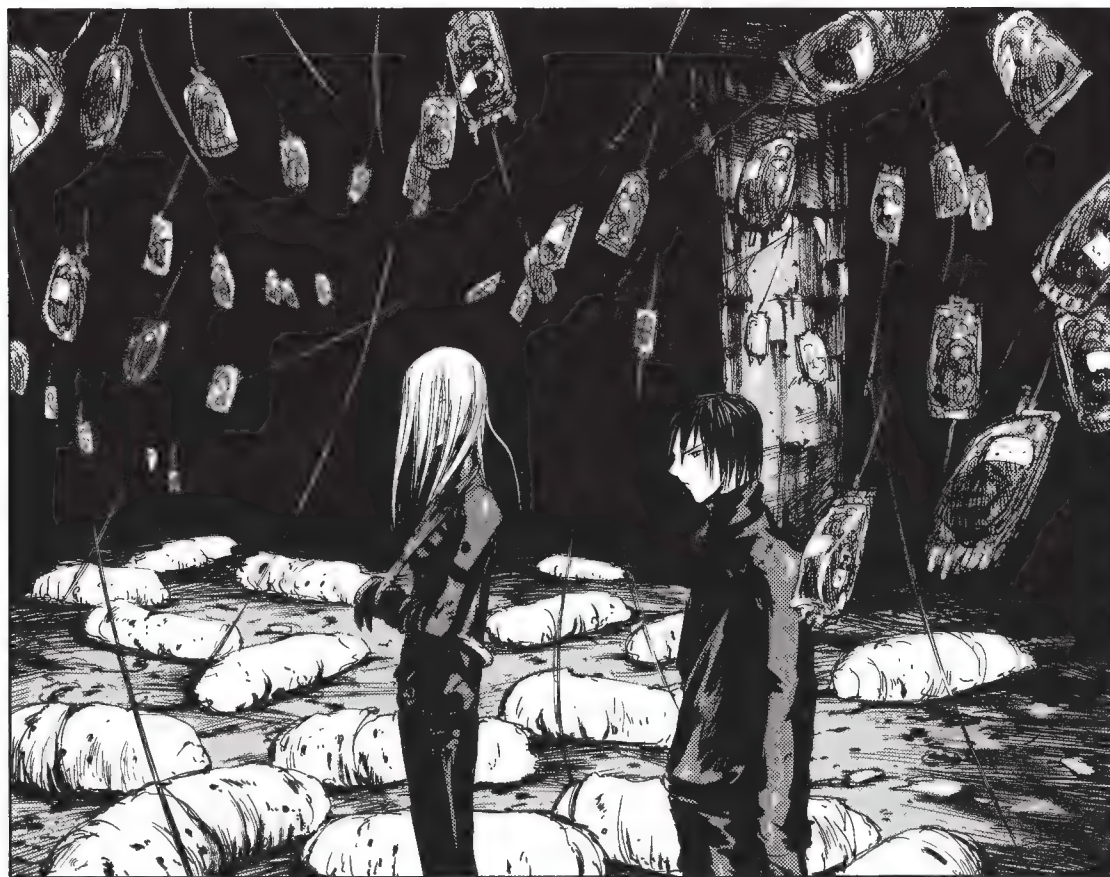
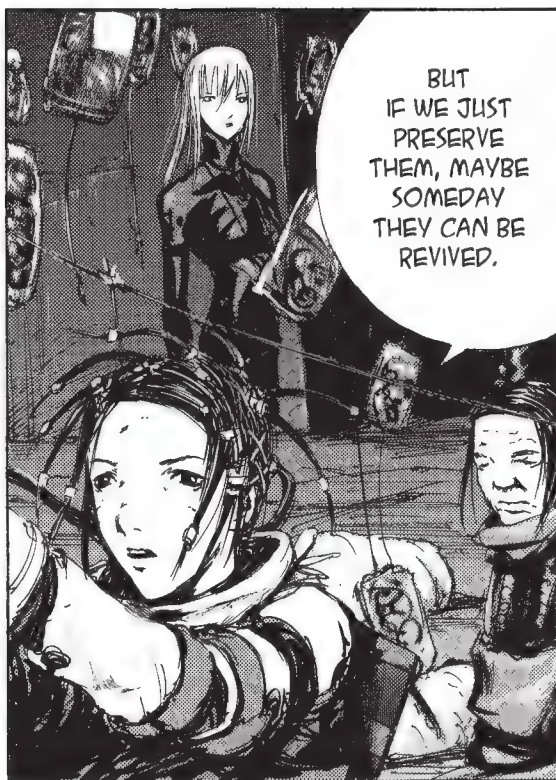


THEY SAY THAT
LONG AGO, WITH
THESE THINGS,
PEOPLE'S SKILLS
AND PERSONALITIES
COULD BE
BROUGHT BACK.

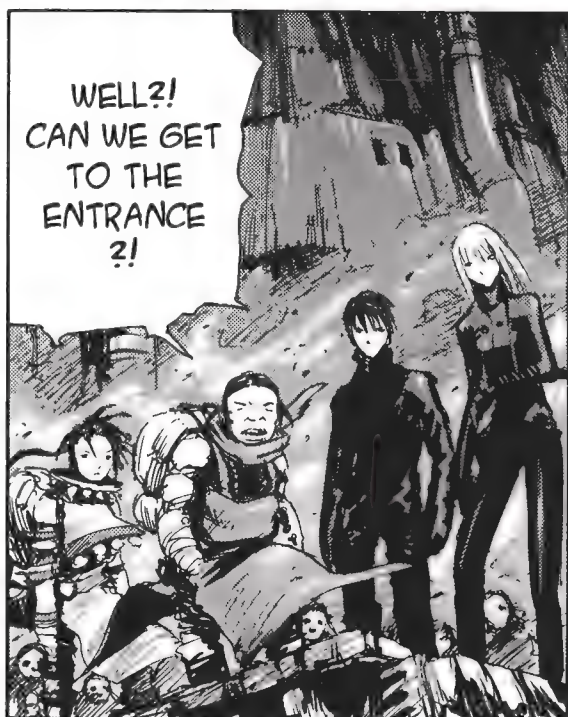
THESE DAYS,
THIS IS THE
BEST WE CAN
MANAGE...



SO YOU
BROUGHT
THE BODIES
BACK
TO MAKE
THESE.





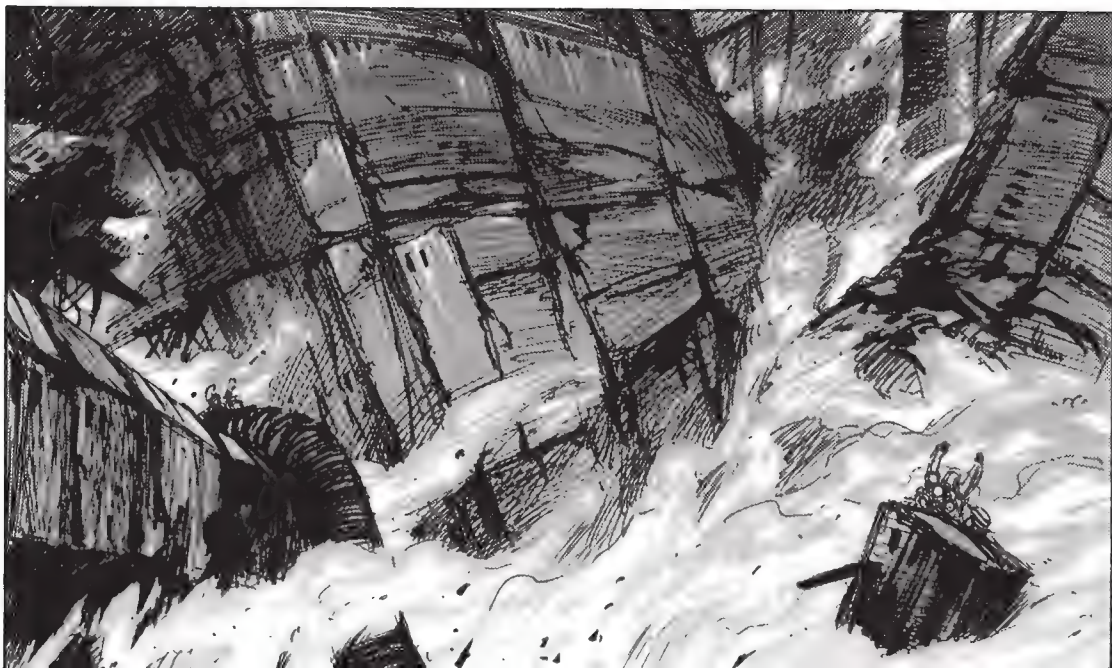
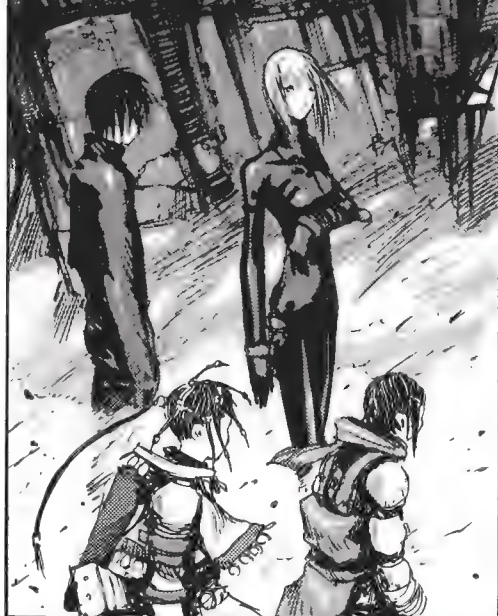


WELL?!
CAN WE GET
TO THE
ENTRANCE
?!



HOW'S
IT LOOK
THAT
WAY?

NO
GOOD...
IT'S STILL
TOO HOT
INSIDE.
CAN'T GET
CLOSE.





KYRII,
DO YOU THINK
YOU CAN GET
THAT BUILDER
TO DO SOME-
THING?



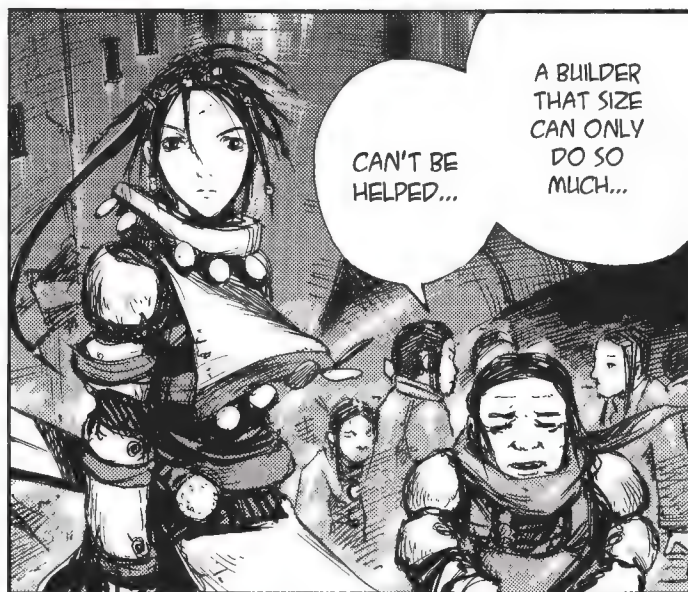
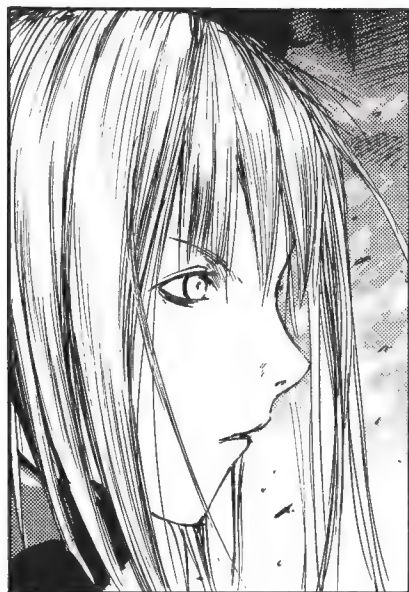
WE
KNOW OF A
FEW MORE, BUT
EVEN THE NEXT
CLOSEST ONE
IS SEVERAL
KILOMETERS
FROM HERE.

WE'VE GOT
WOUNDED,
WE'RE CARRYING
OUR STUFF...
WE CAN'T MAKE
IT THAT FAR.

IS THAT
THE ONLY
ENTRANCE TO
TOHA HEAVY
INDUSTRIES
?



IT'S ALREADY
STARTED THE
DEMOLITION WORK.
BUT IT NEEDS
ANOTHER 2,160
HOURS BEFORE
IT'S DONE.



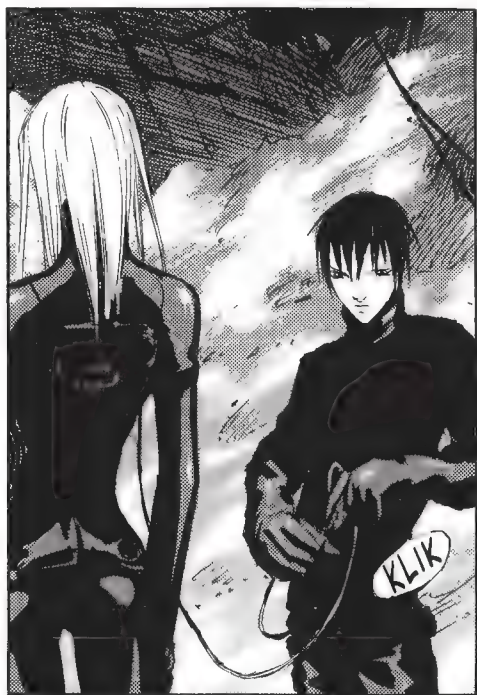
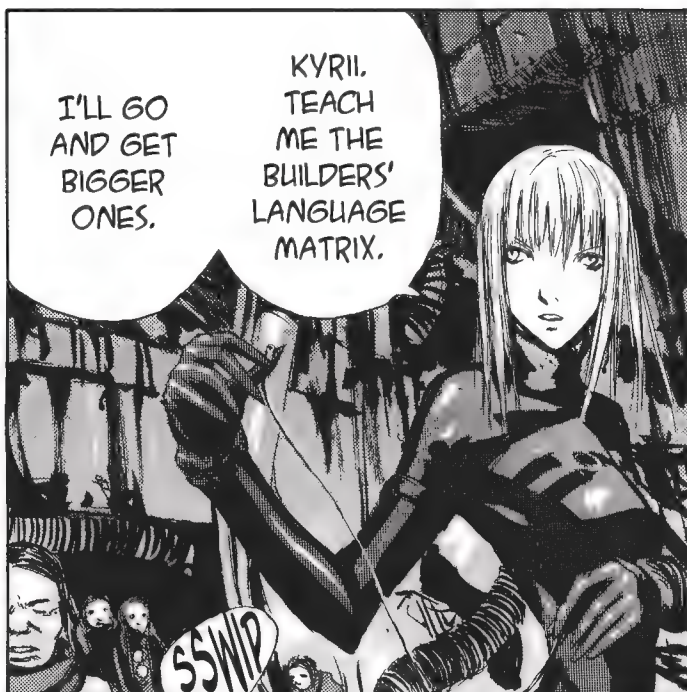
CAN'T BE
HELPED...

A BUILDER
THAT SIZE
CAN ONLY
DO SO
MUCH...



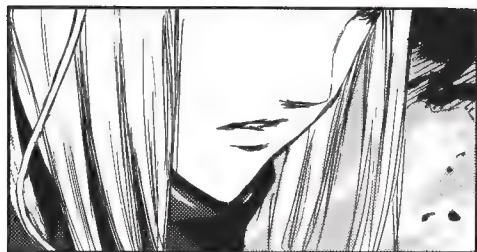
I'LL GO
AND GET
BIGGER
ONES.

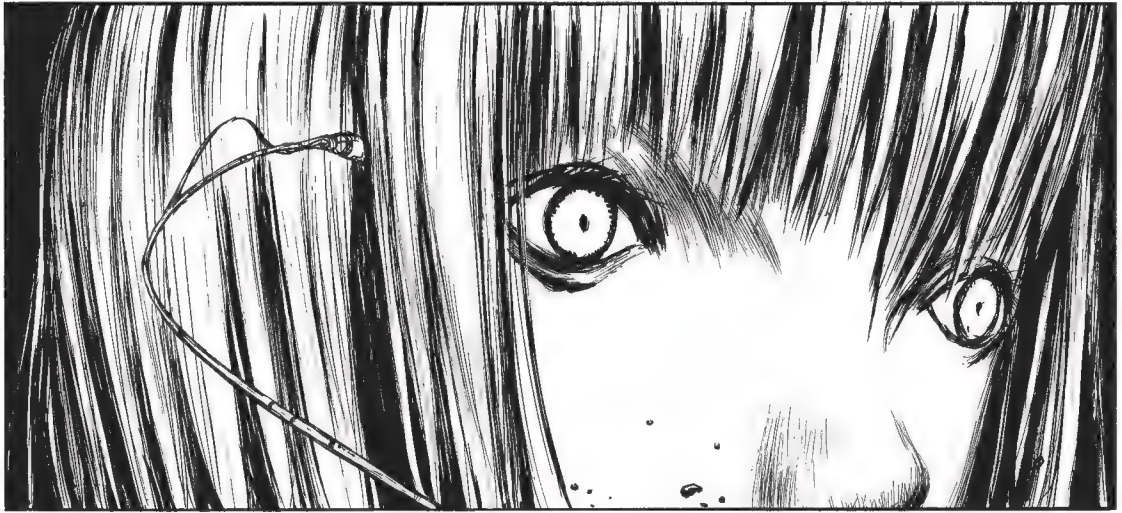
KYRII,
TEACH
ME THE
BUILDERS'
LANGUAGE
MATRIX.

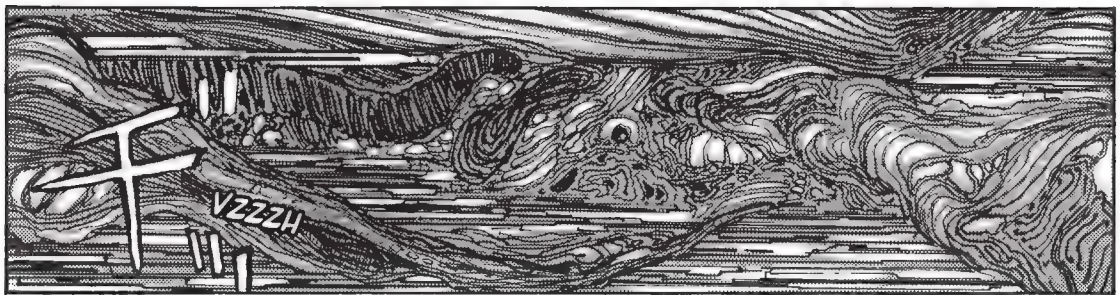
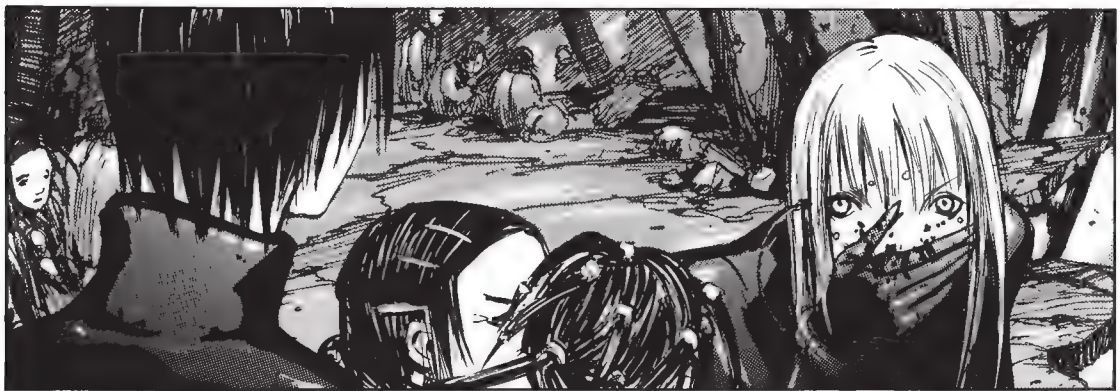
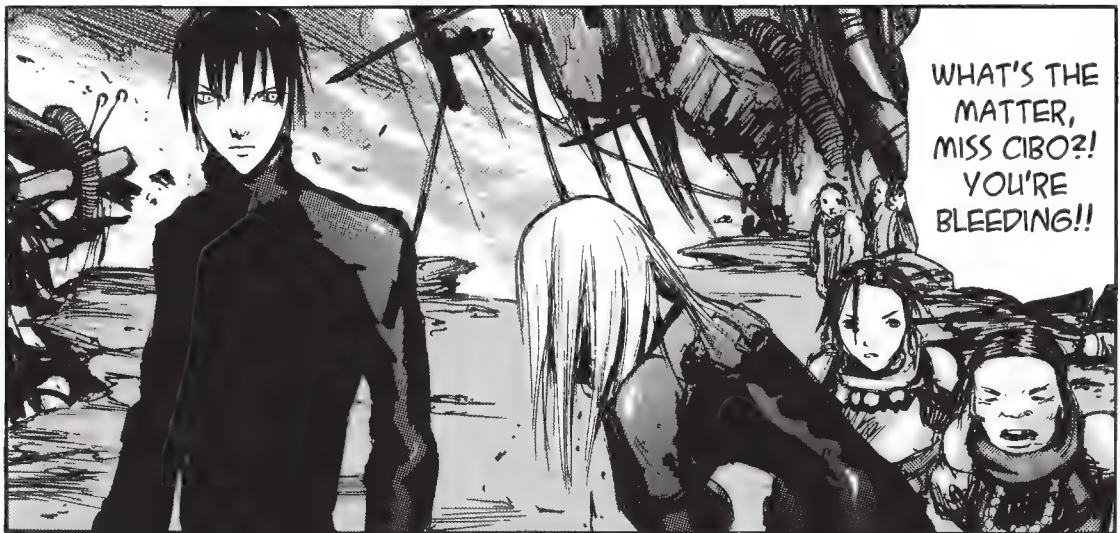


I CAN GET
THERE IN
NO TIME IF
I TAKE THE
RAILCAR.

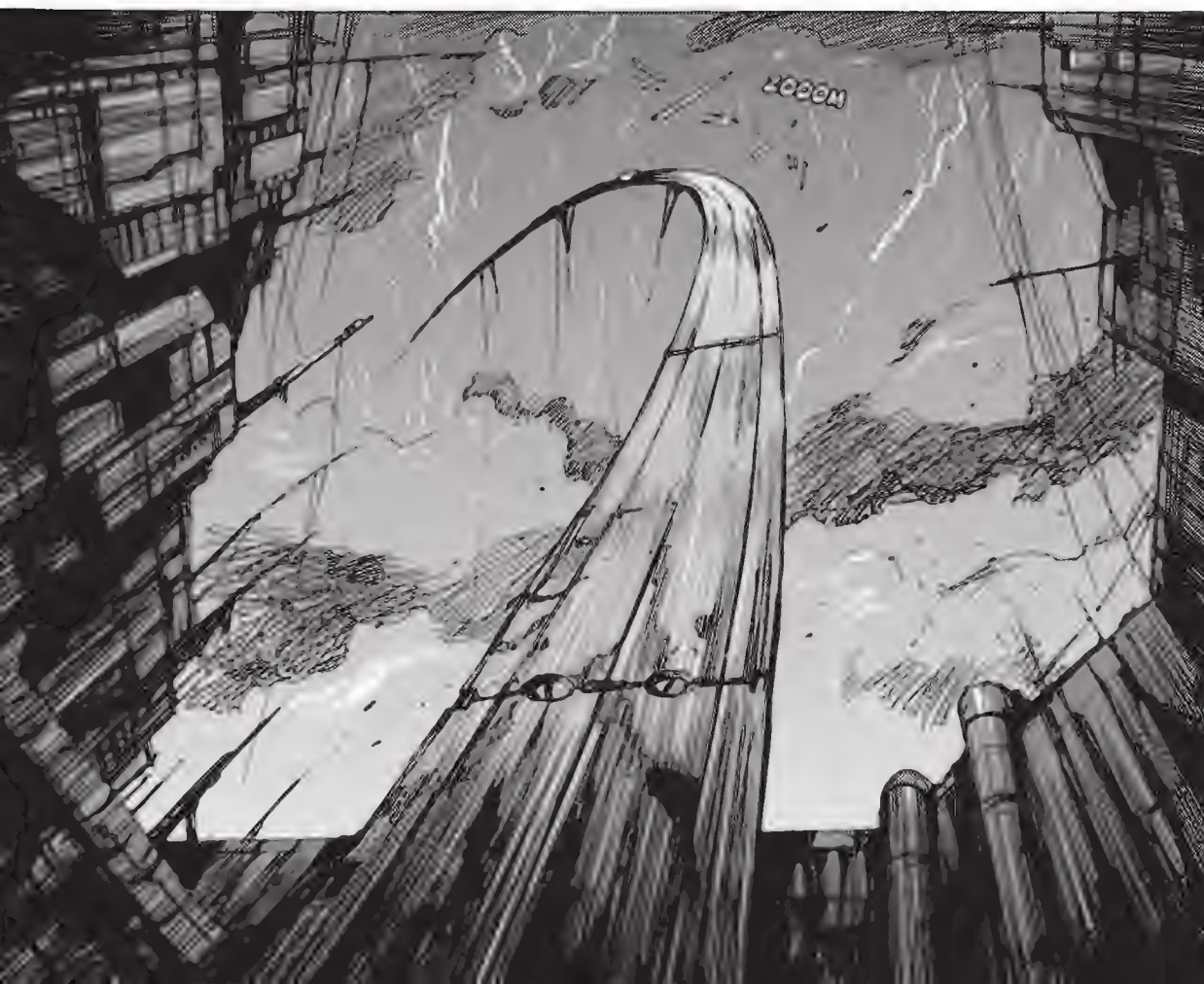
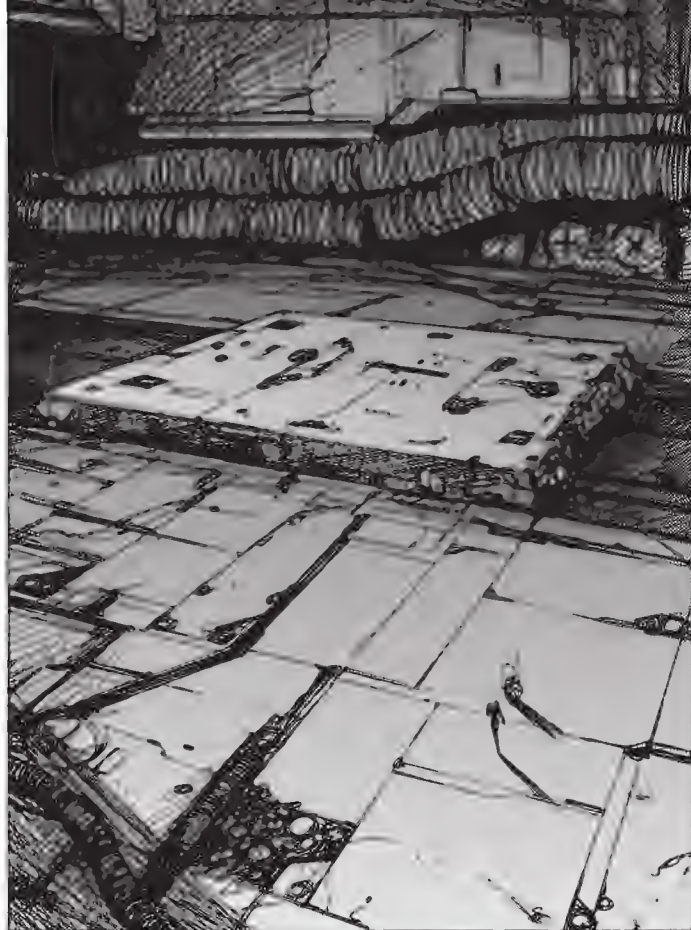
MISS CIBO,
YOU'RE NOT
THINKIN' OF
GOING OVER
THERE, ARE
YOU?

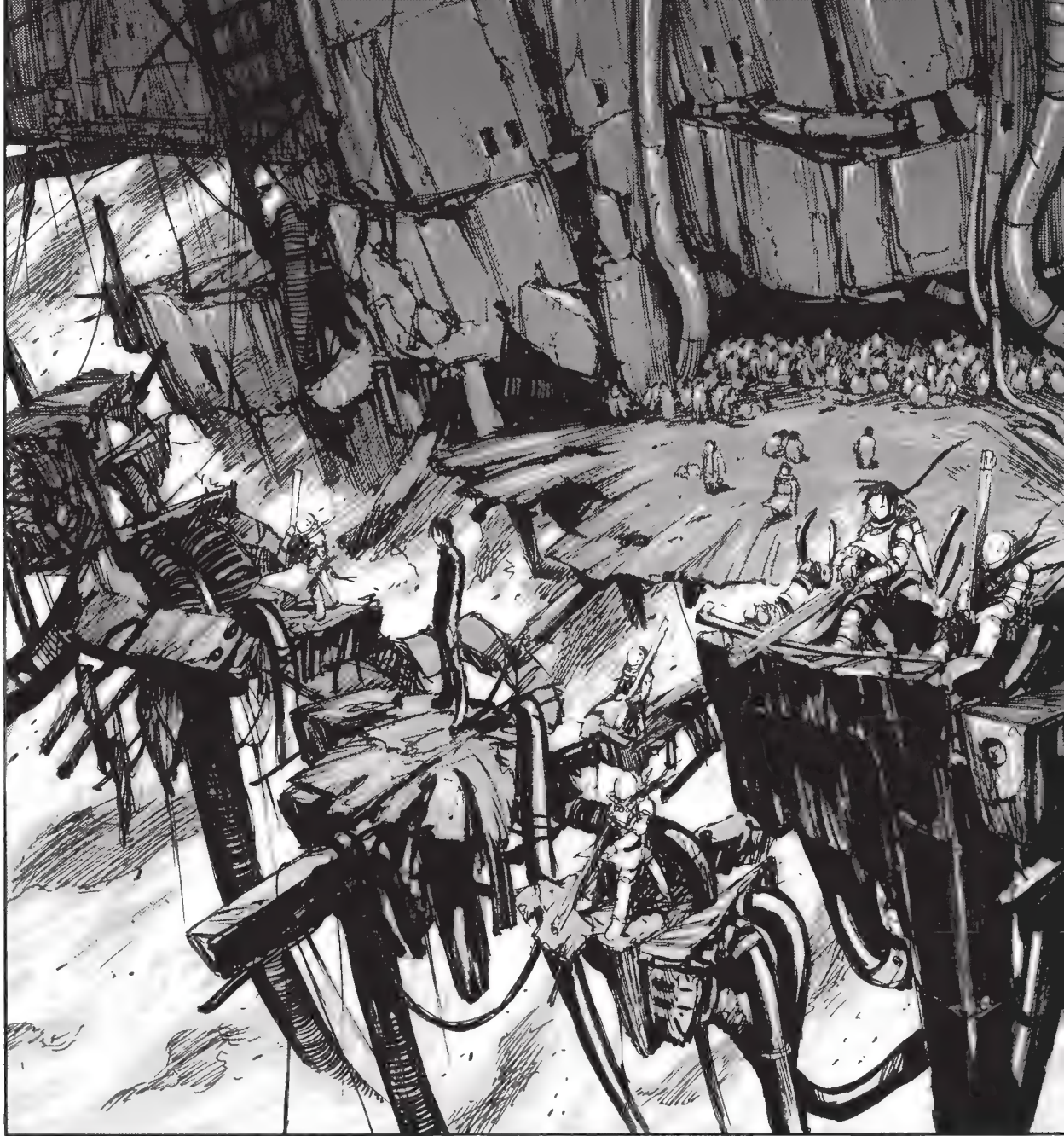


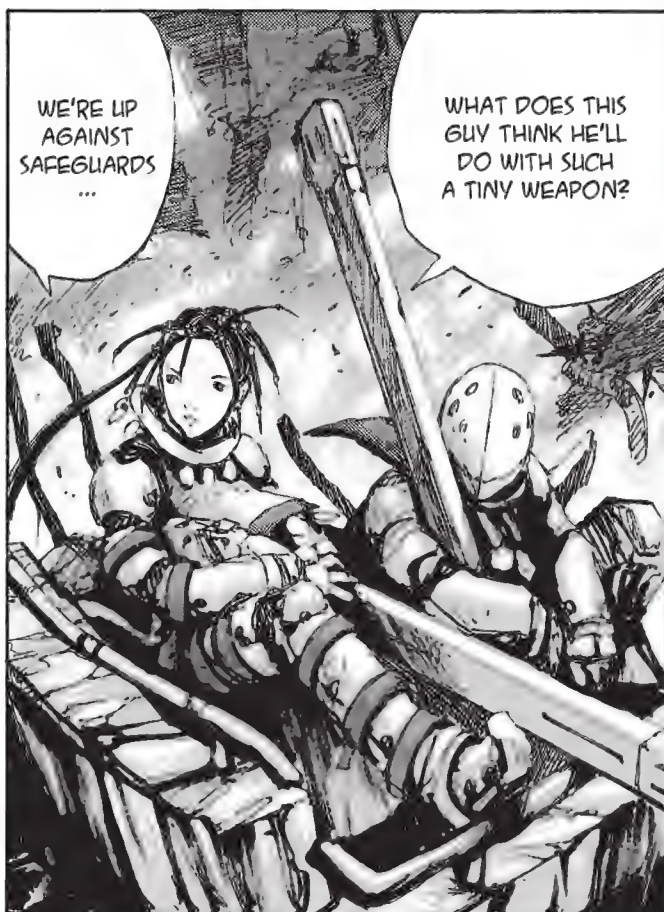


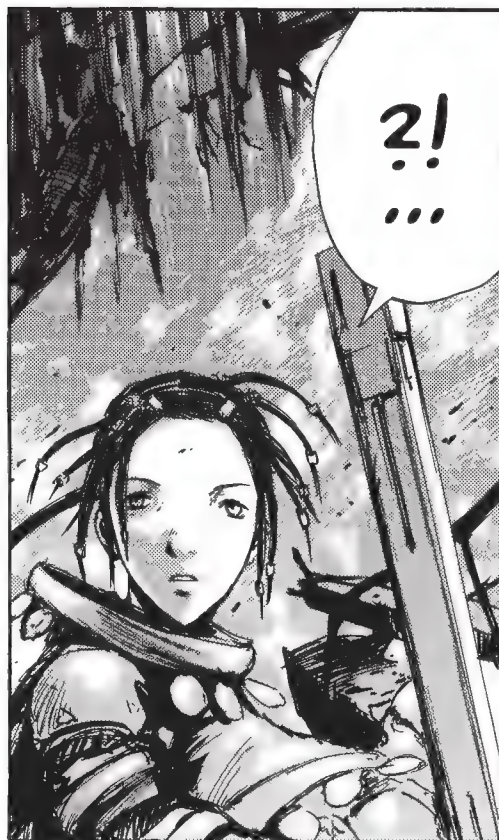
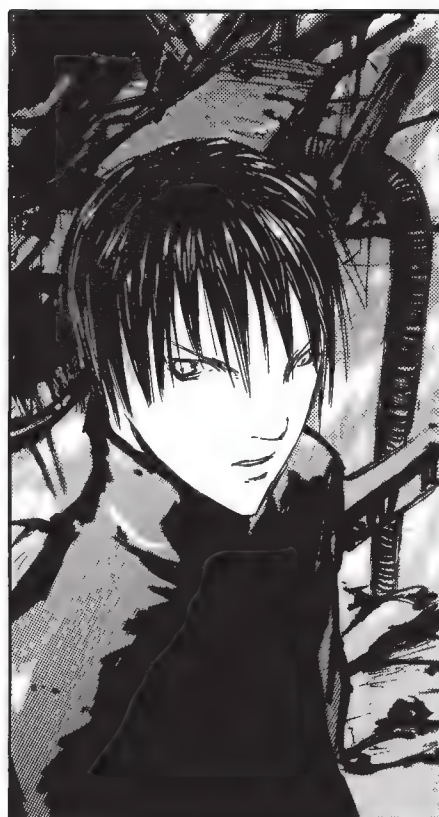
















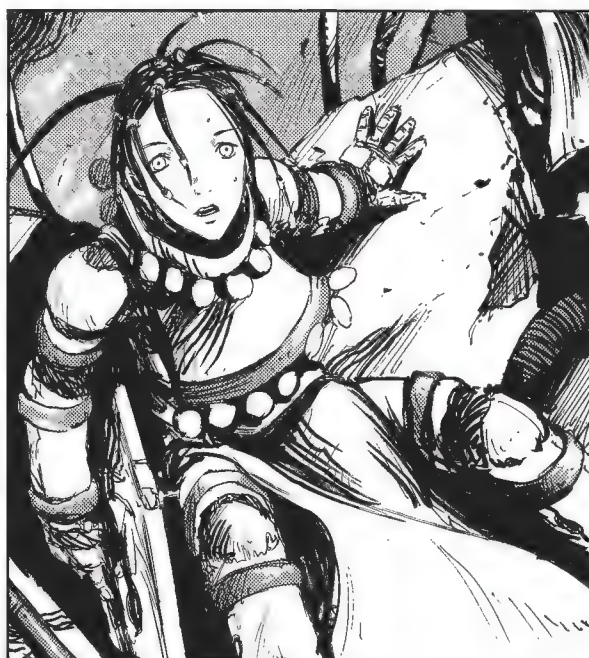
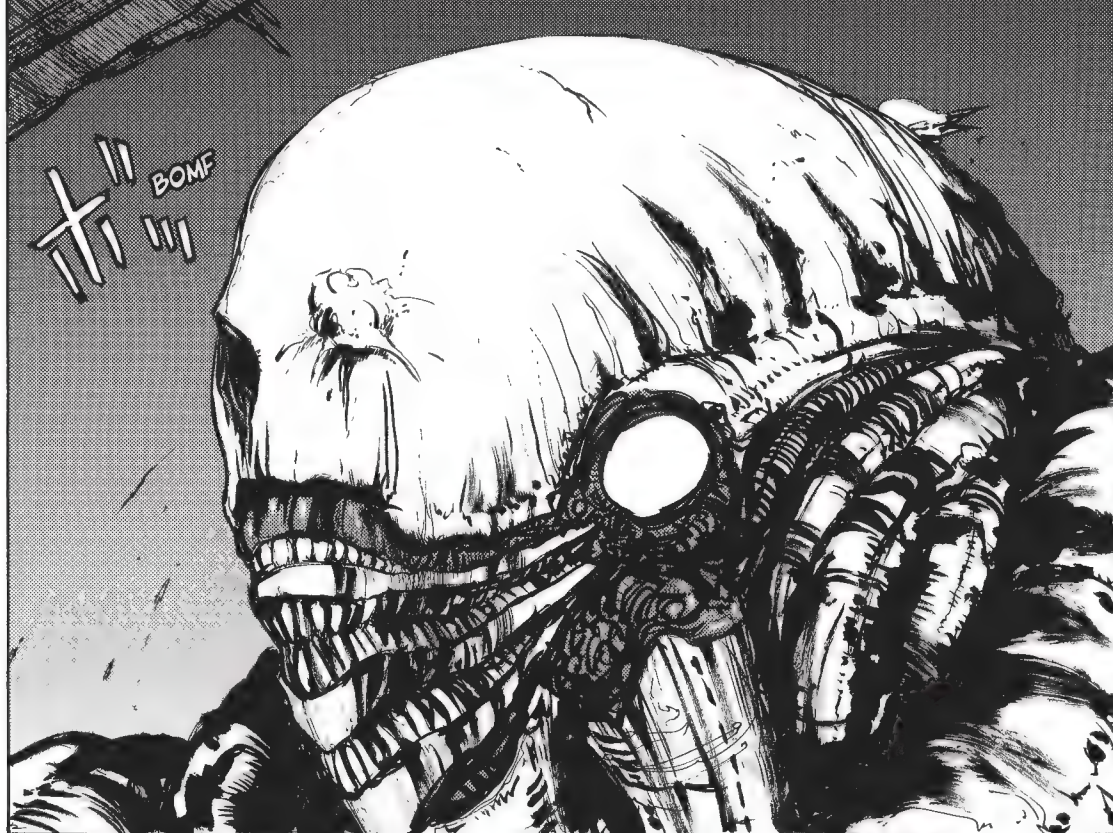




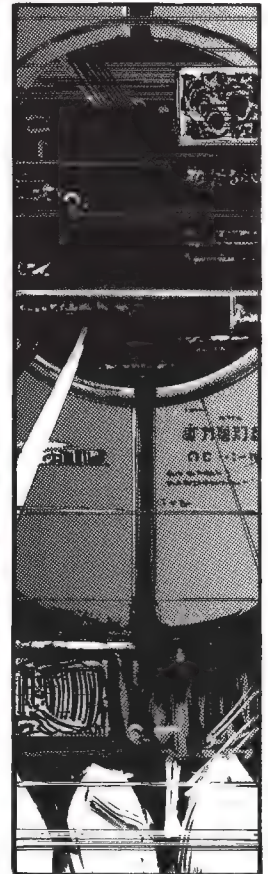
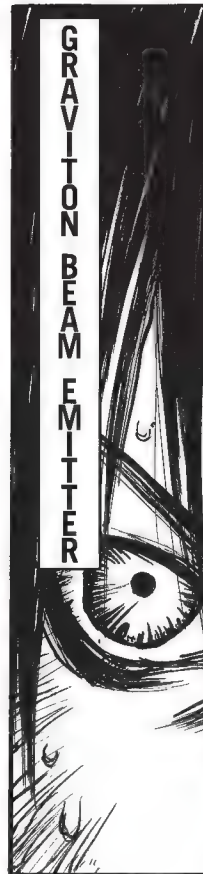
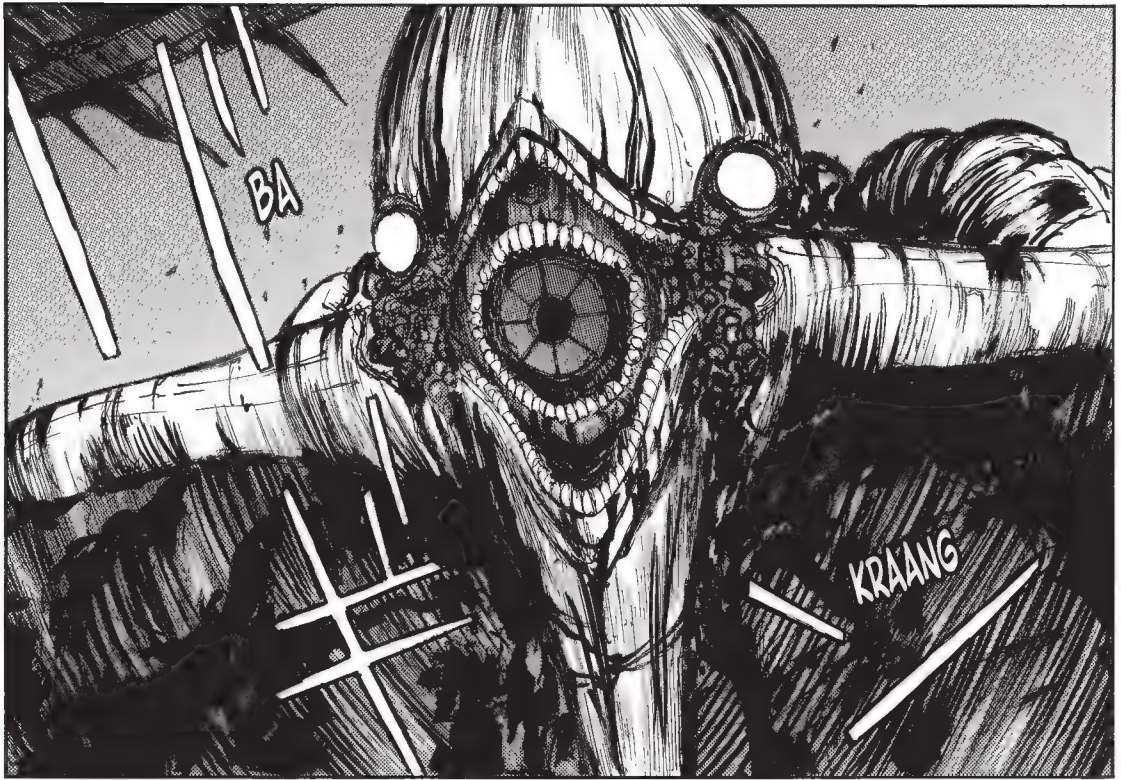
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ANNIHILATION

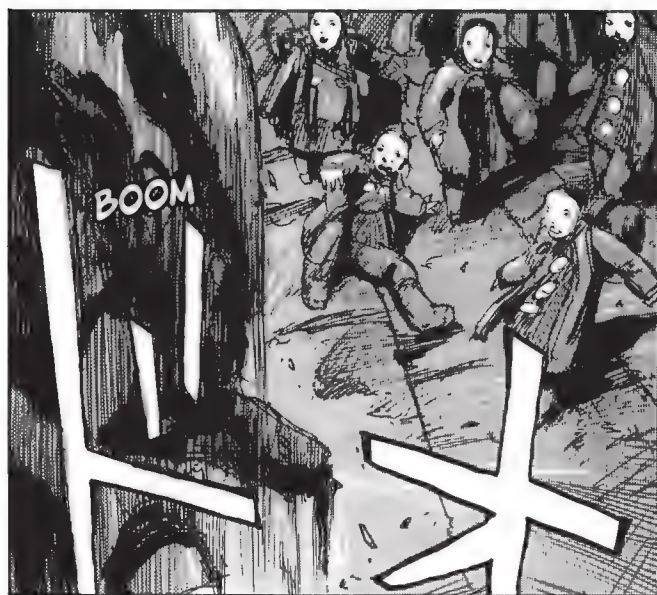
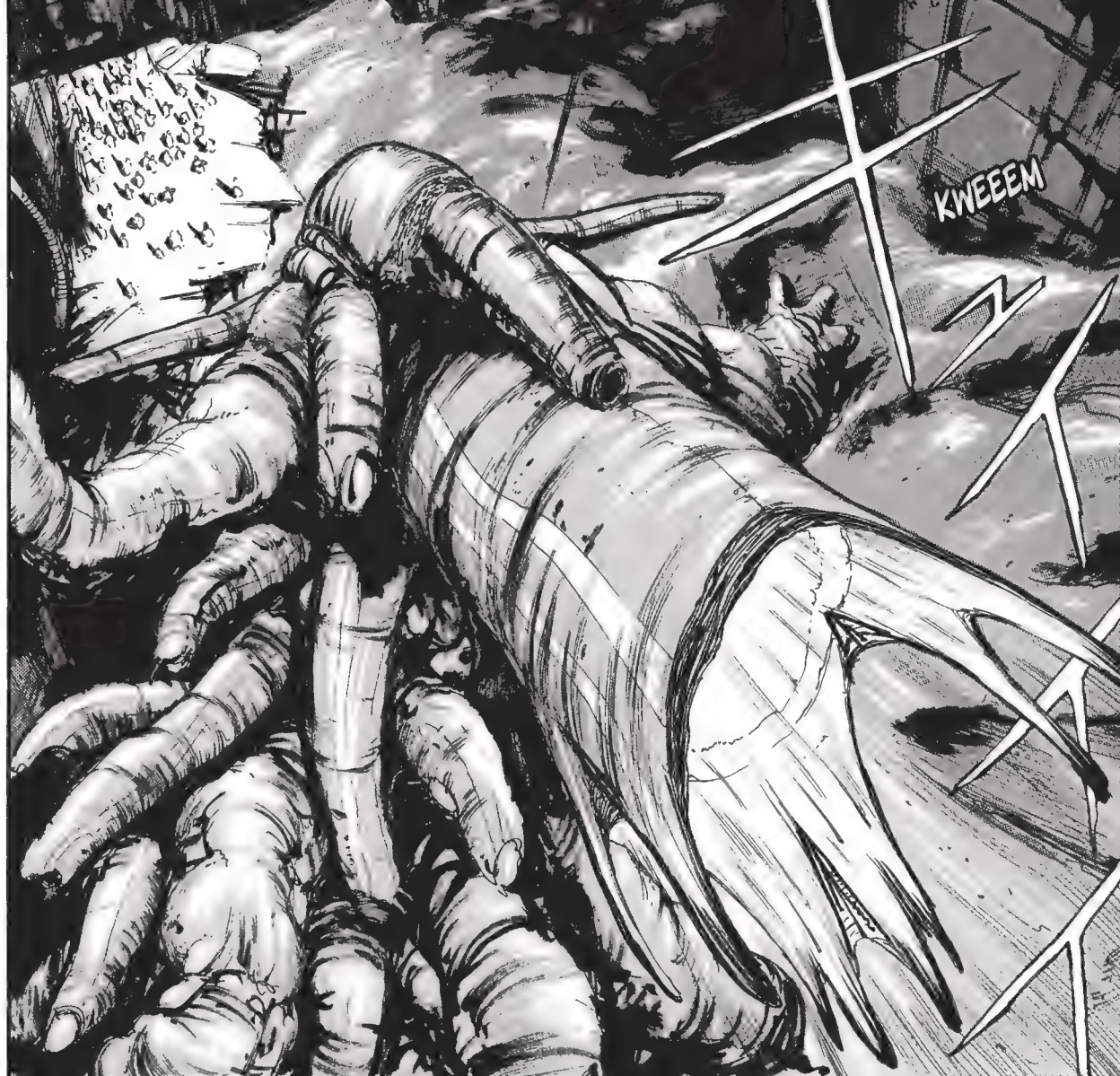






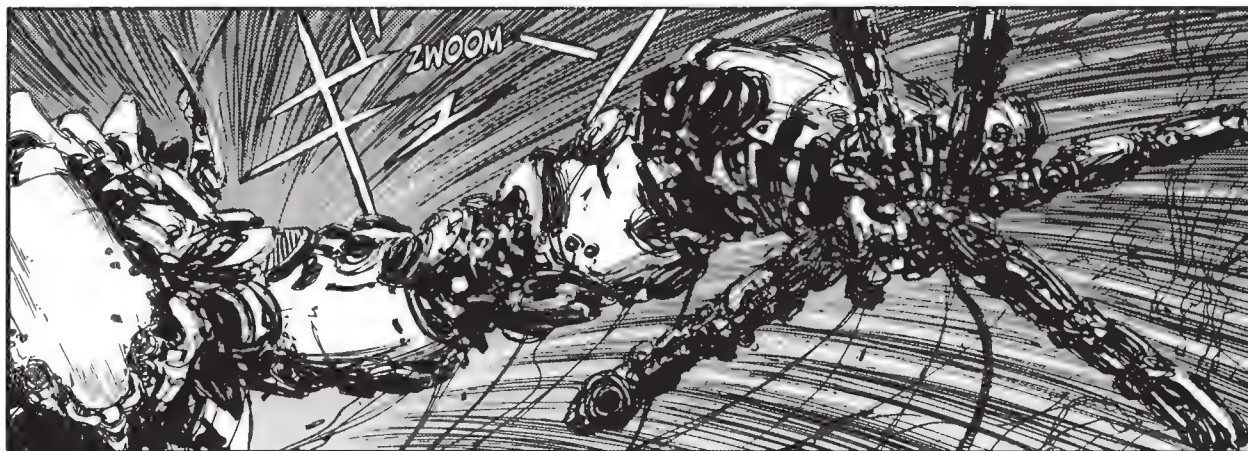
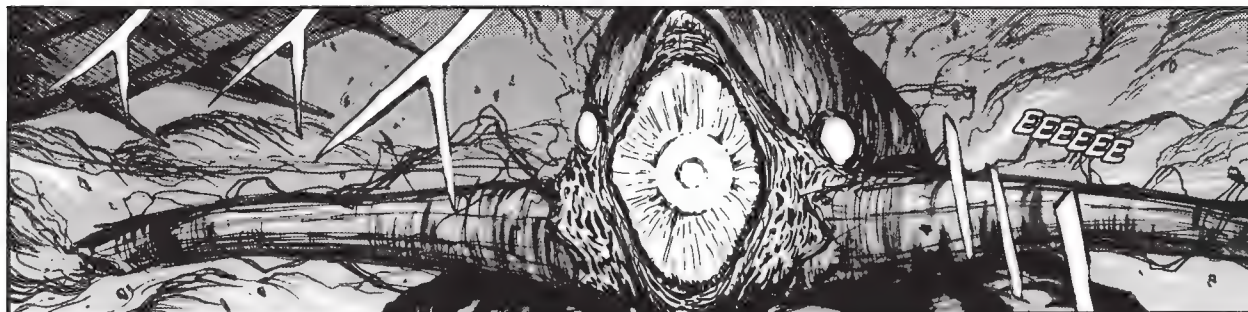


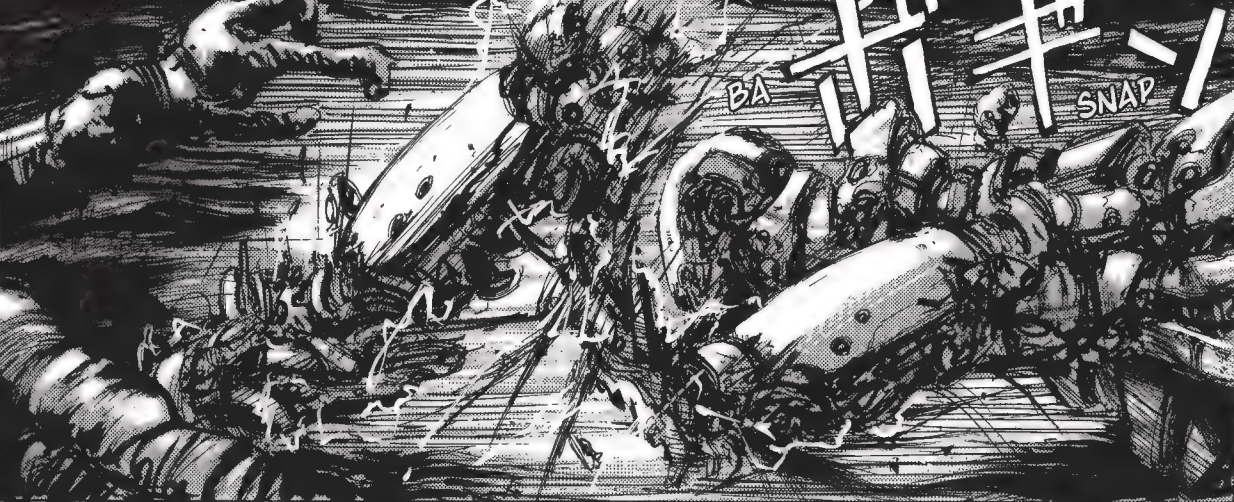


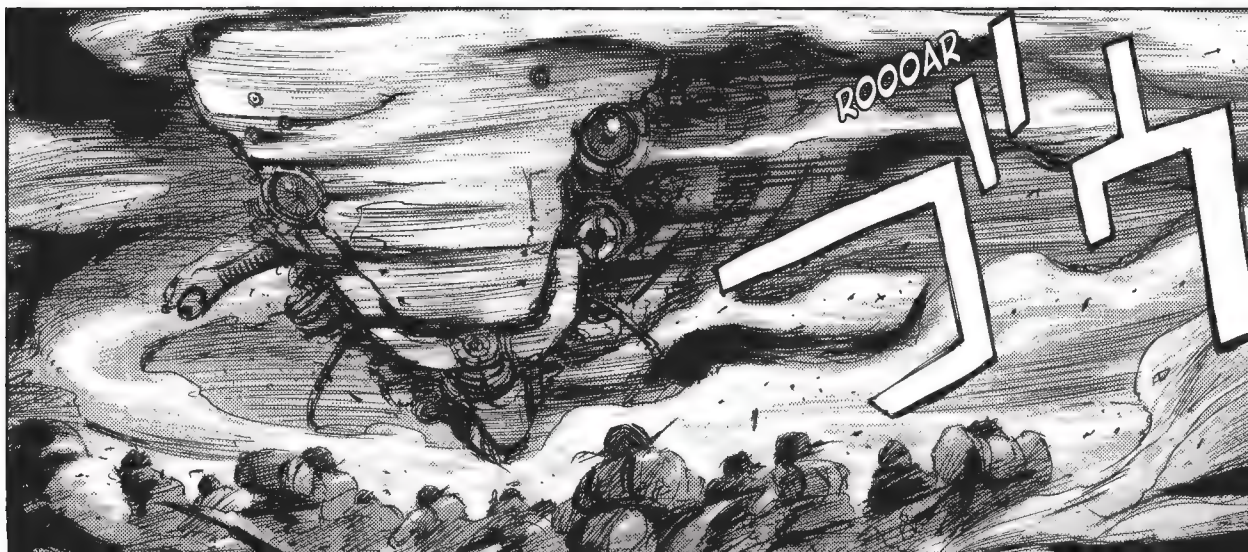
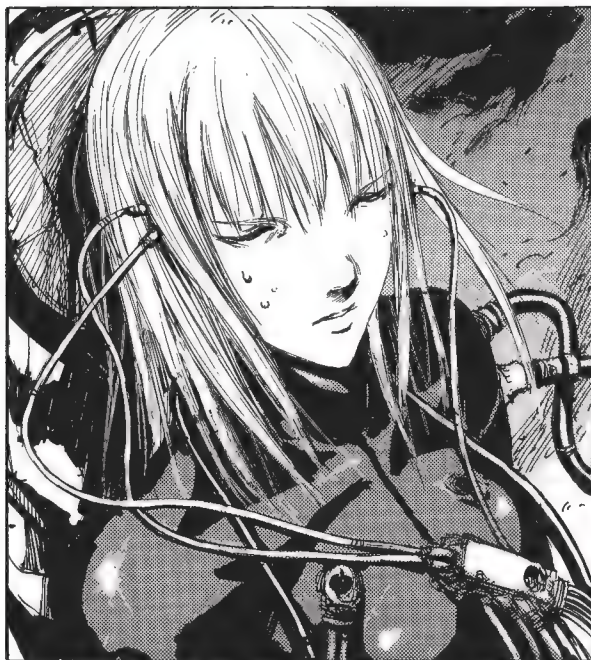
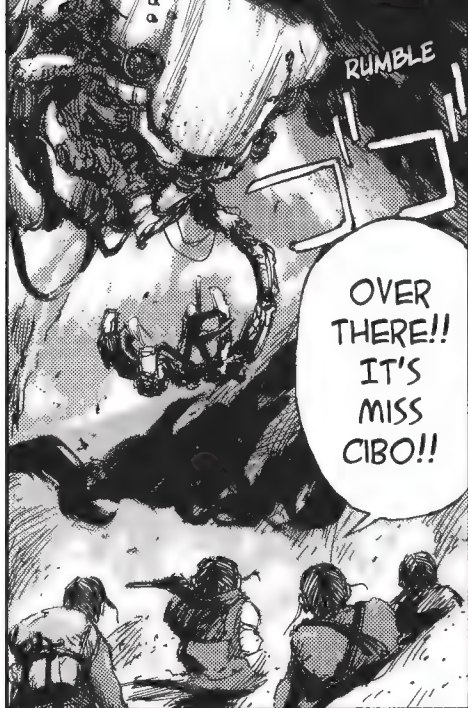


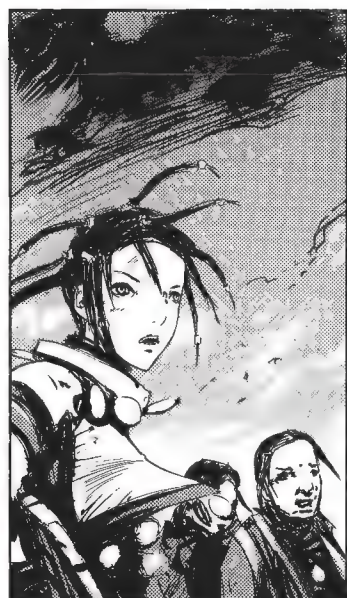
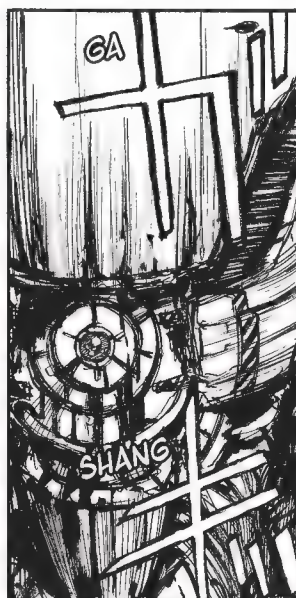
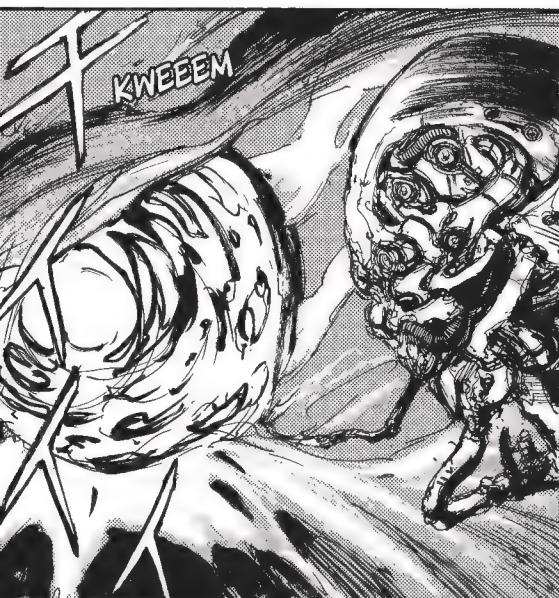
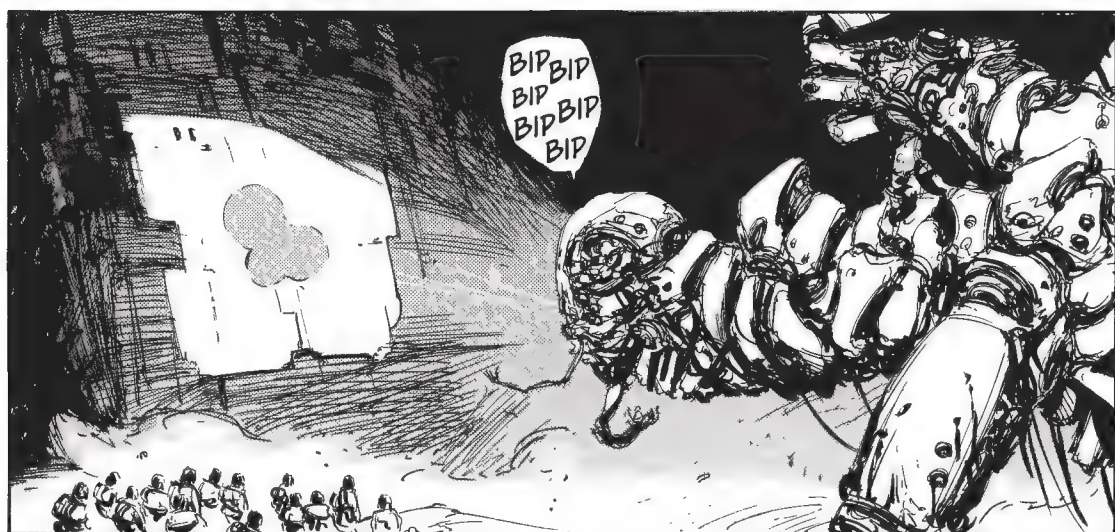




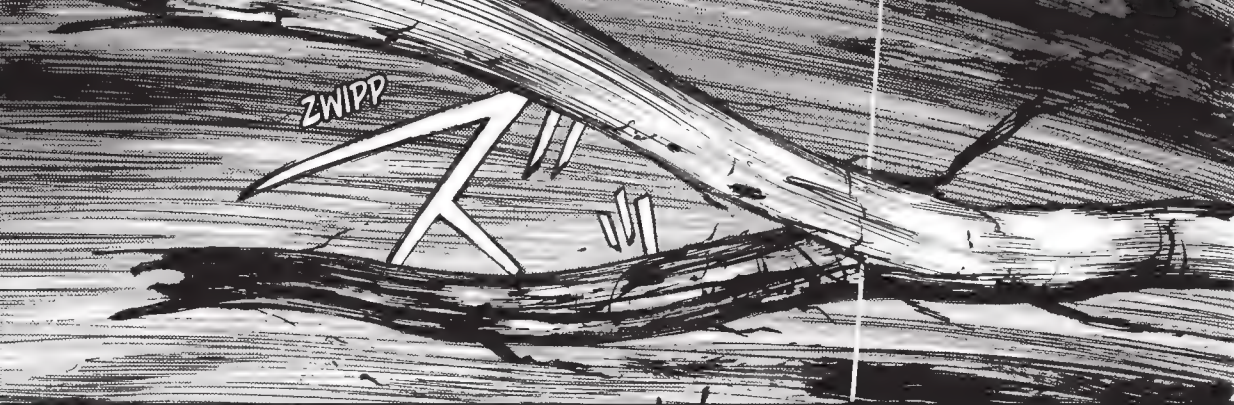




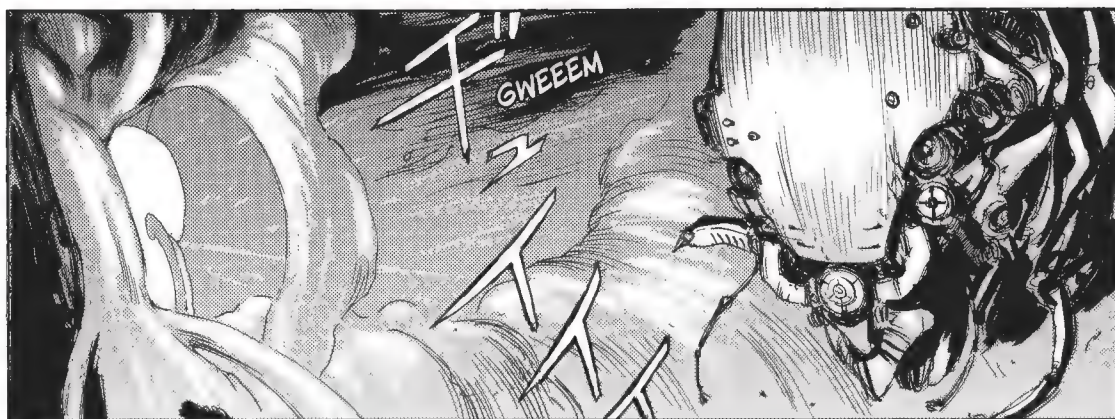










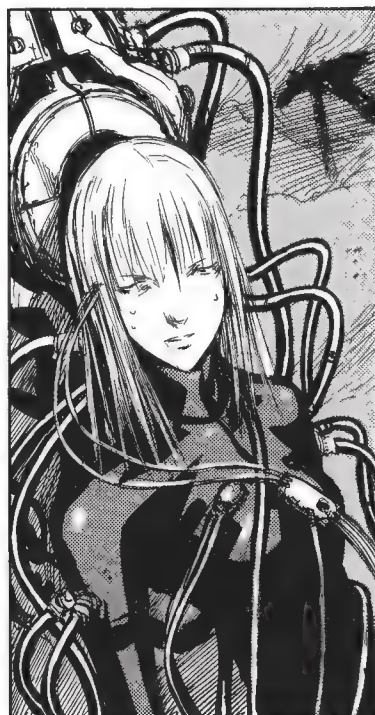


EVER SINCE
I LINKED
WITH KYRII'S
BRAIN...
MY HEAD'S
BEEN...

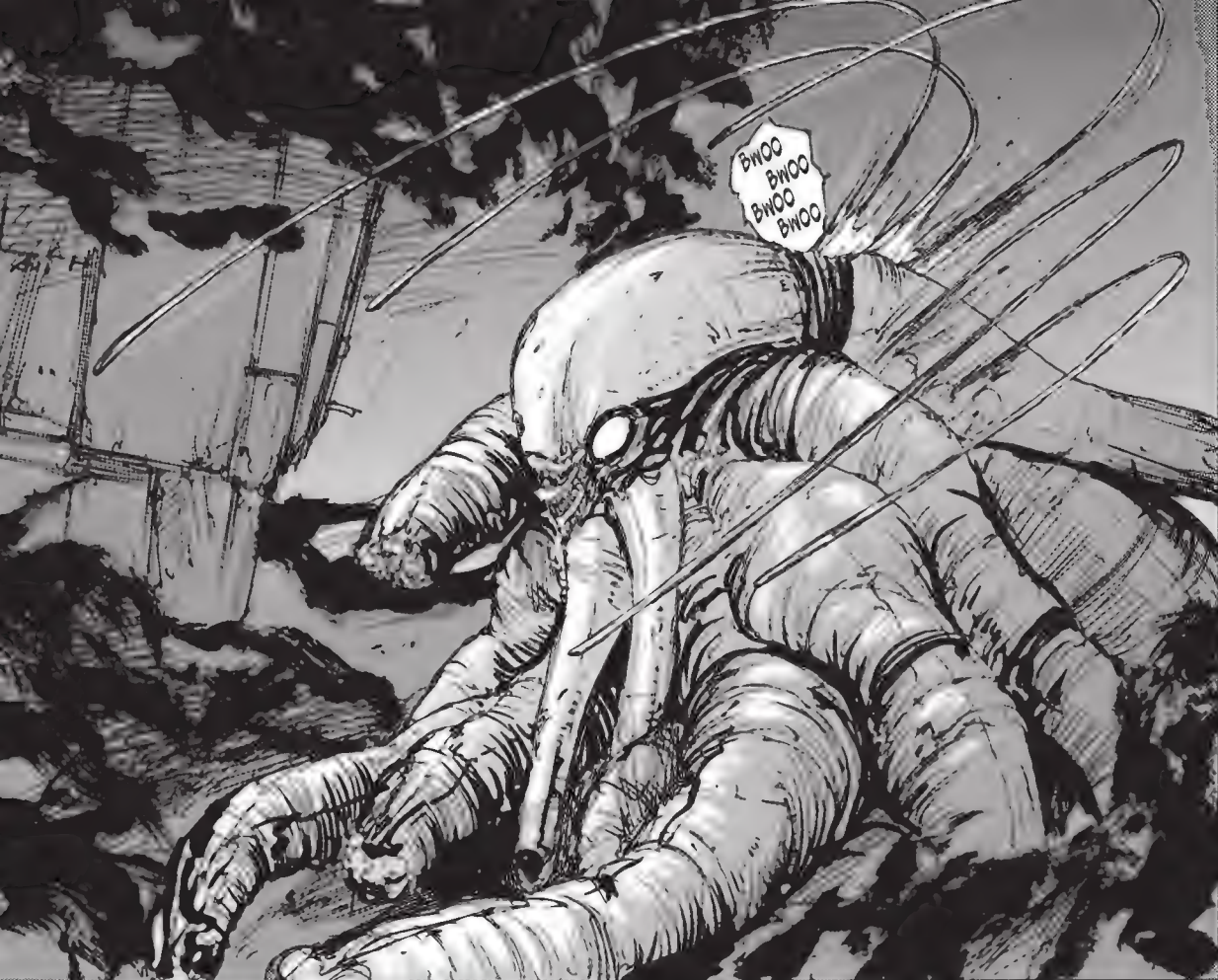


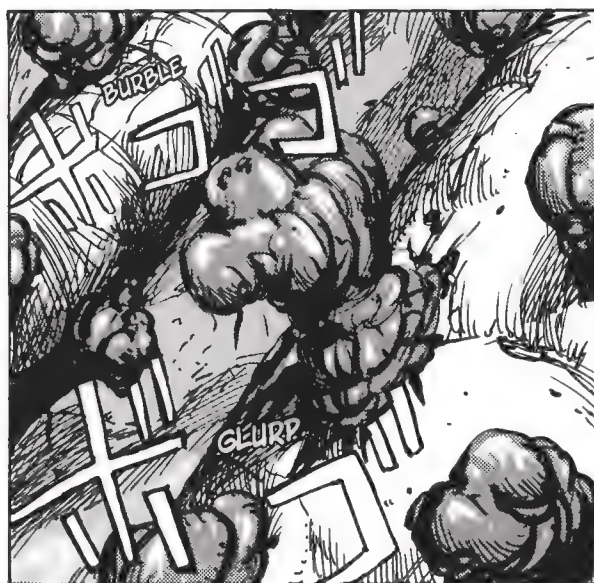
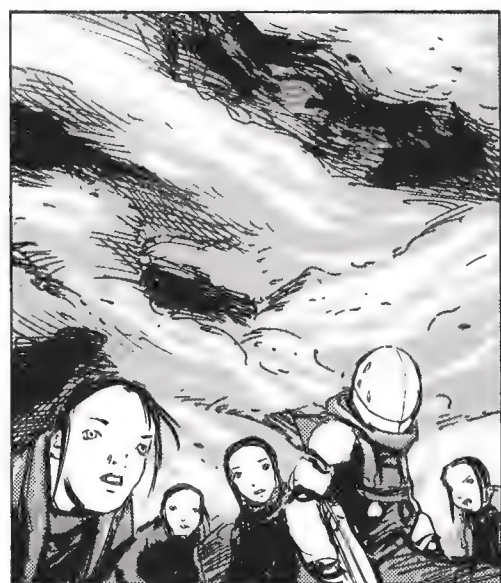
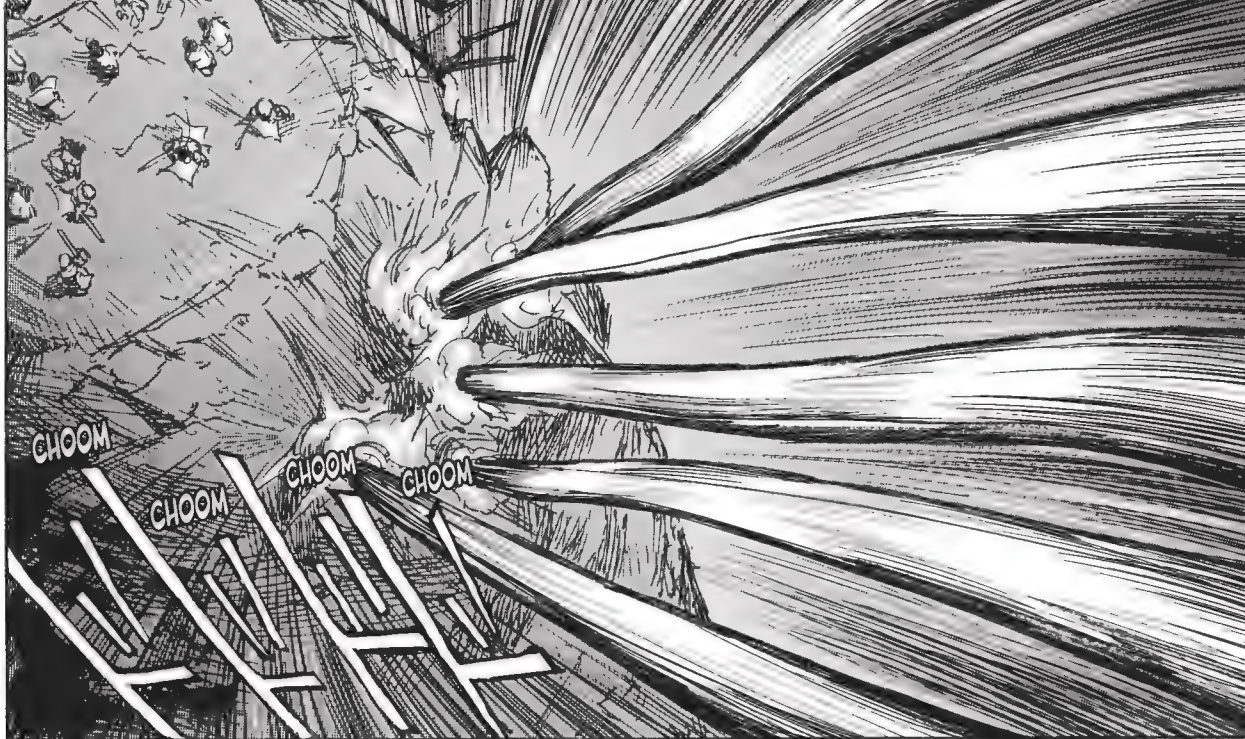
I'M
ALL
RIGHT
...

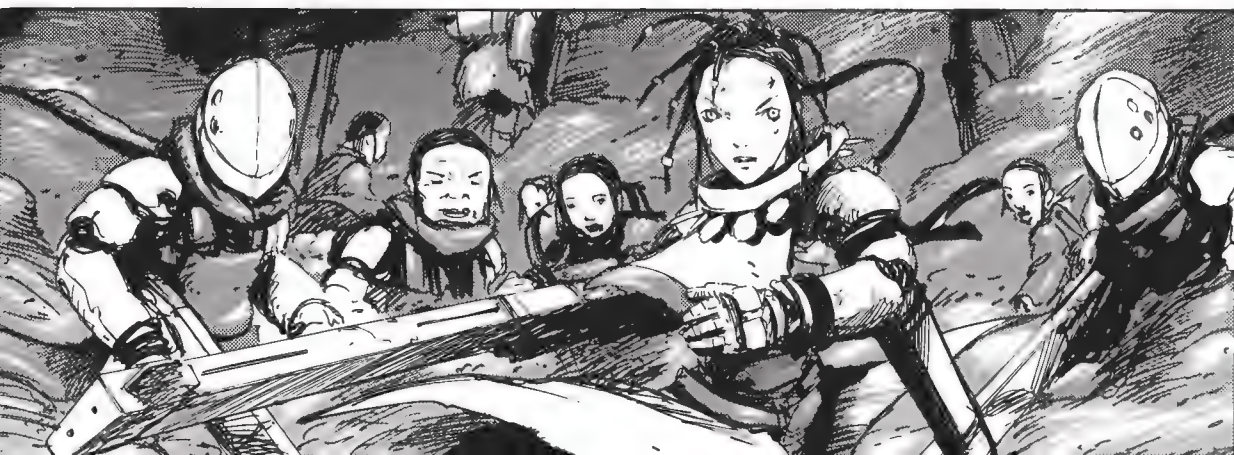
ARE
YOU ALL
RIGHT,
MISS CIBO?!
YOU DON'T
LOOK SO
GOOD!

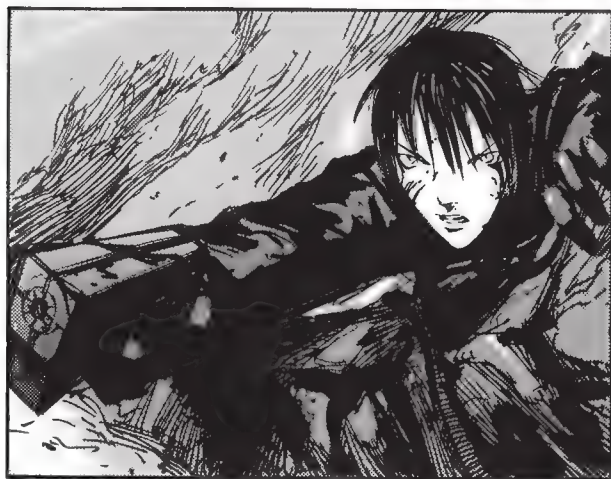


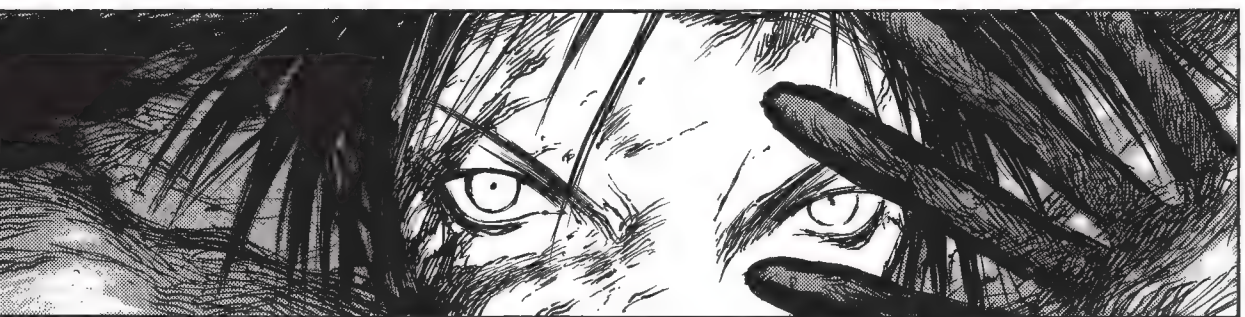
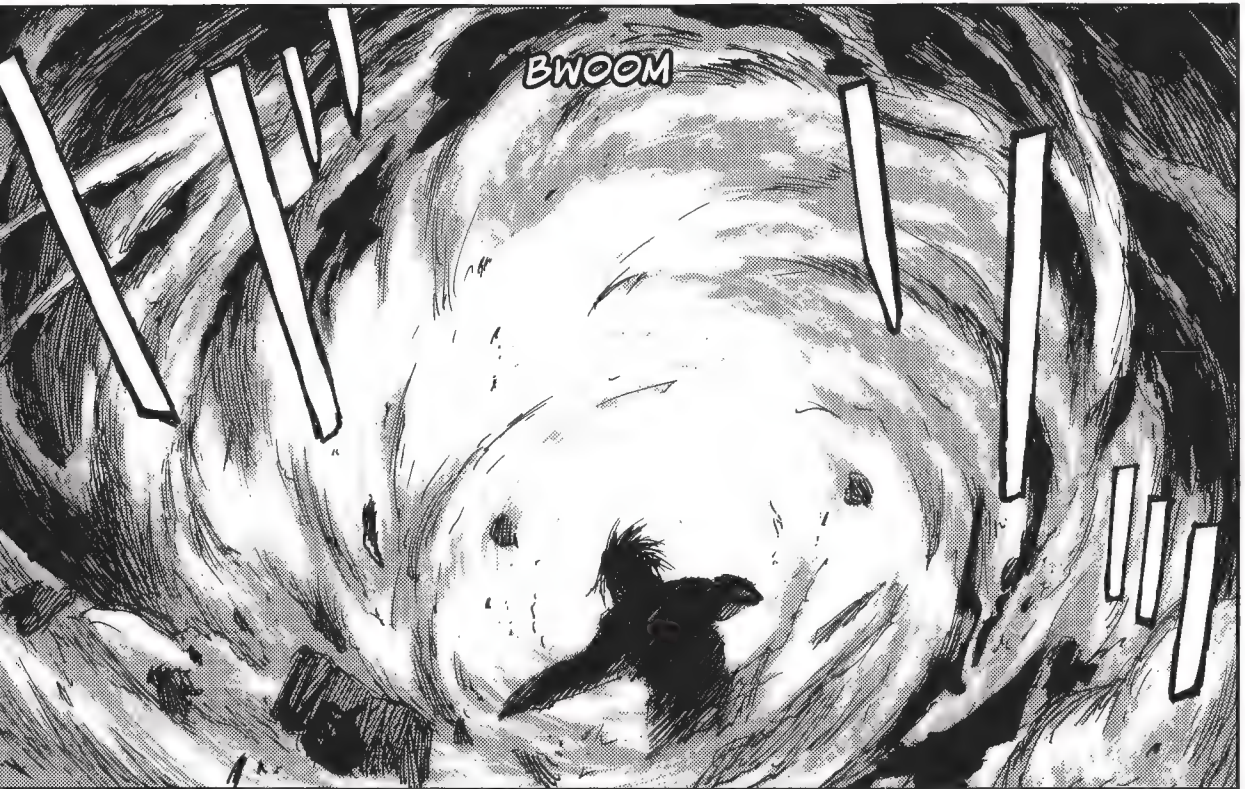


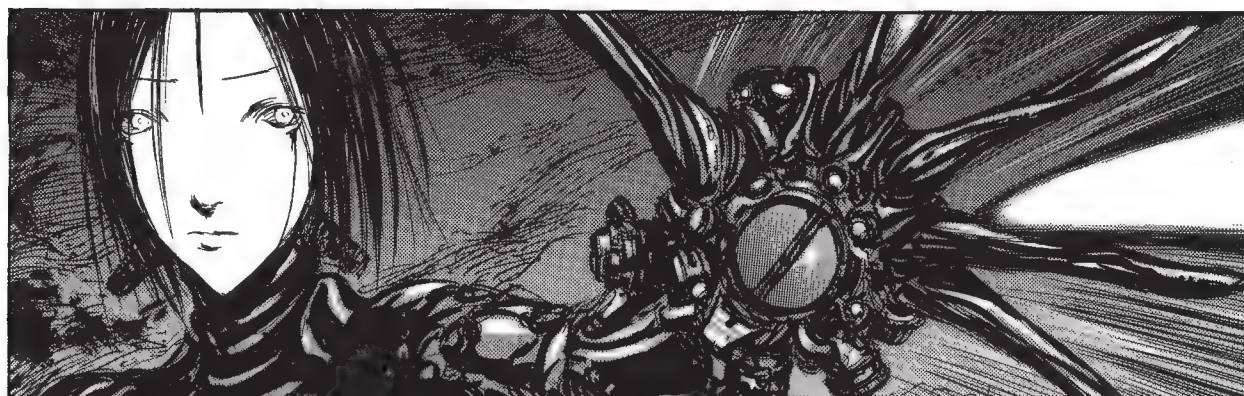
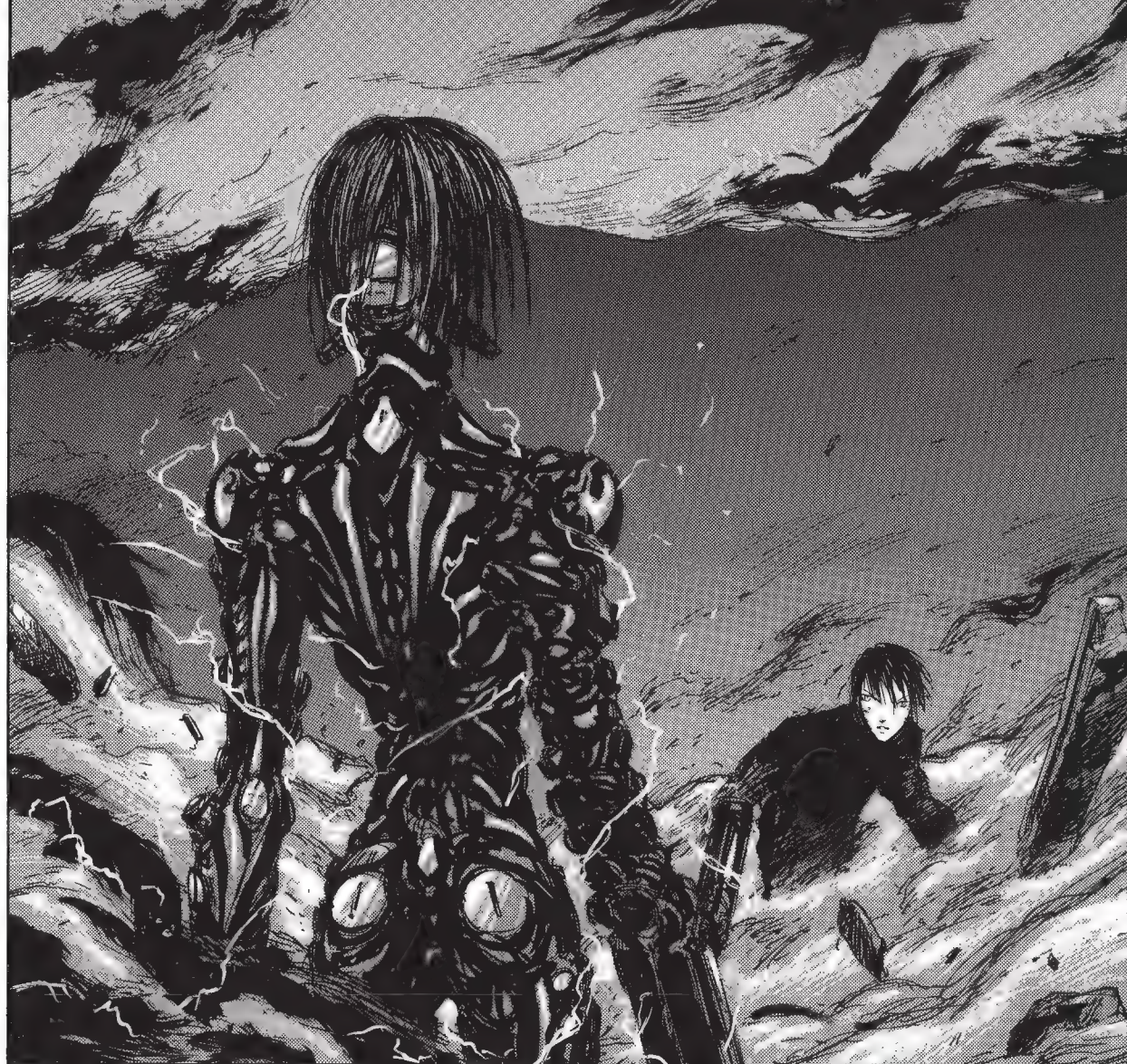


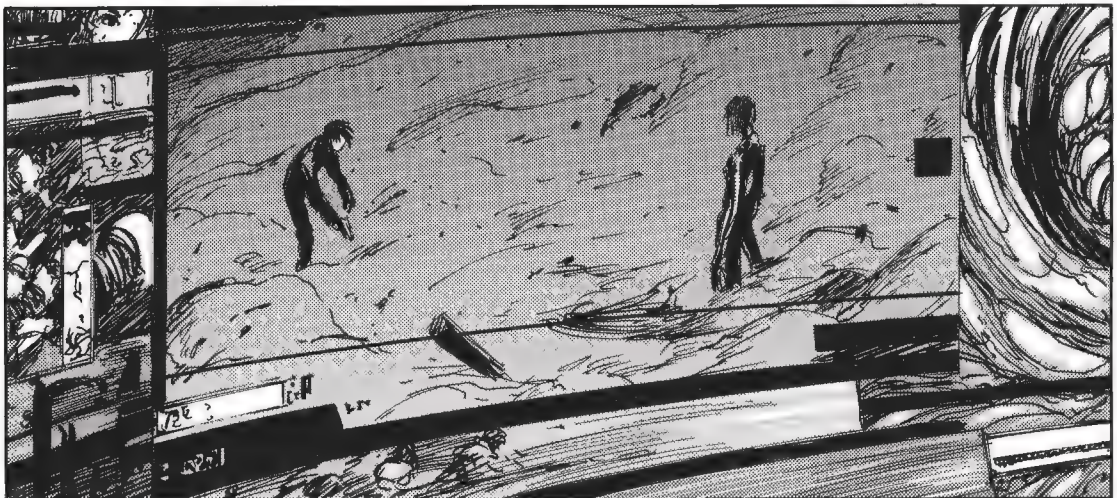
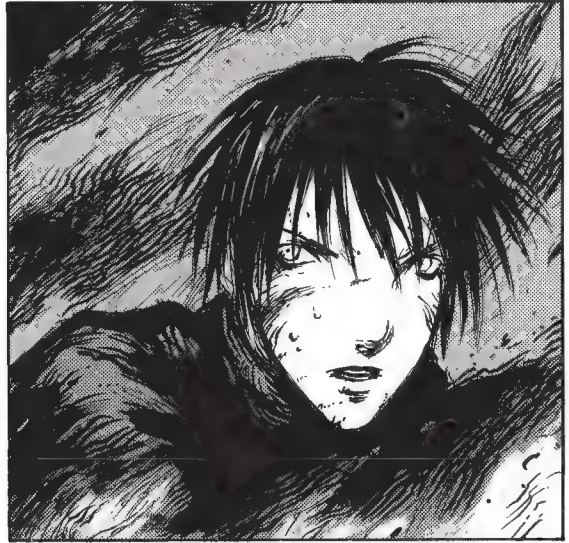
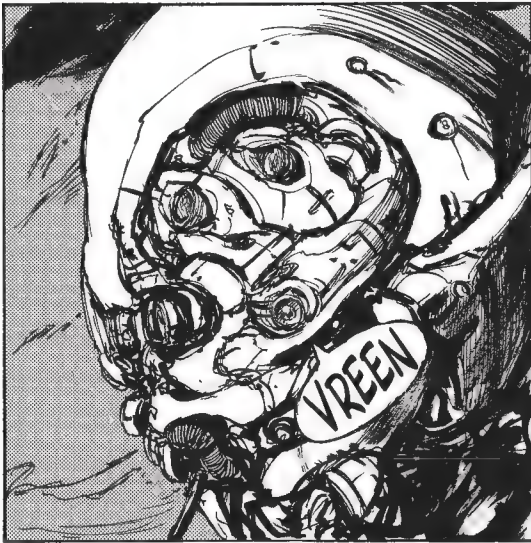


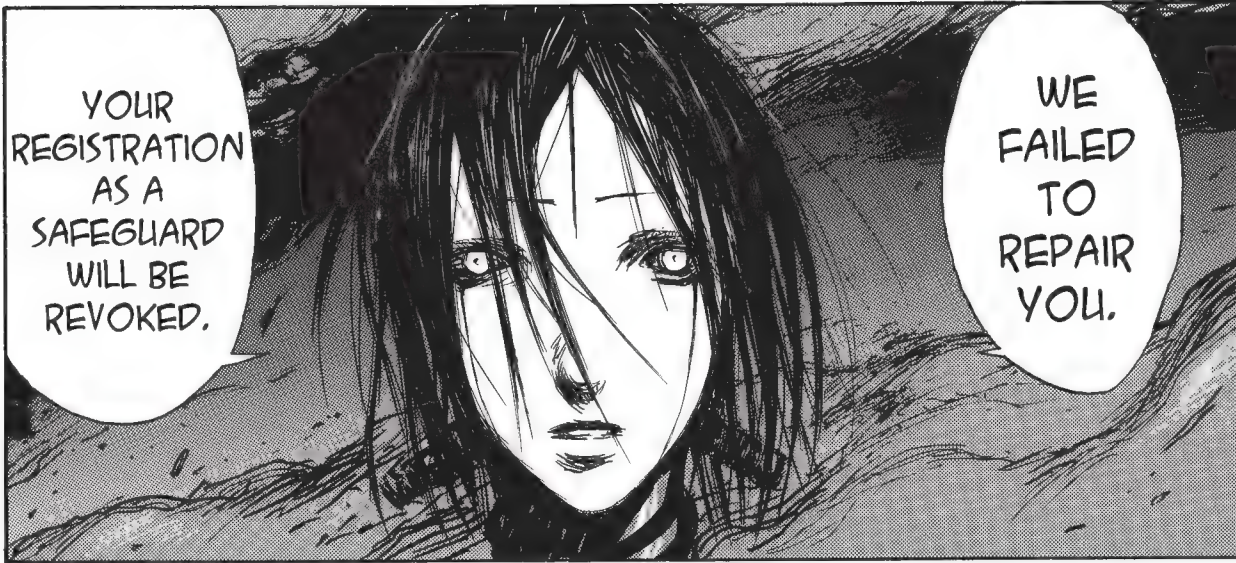






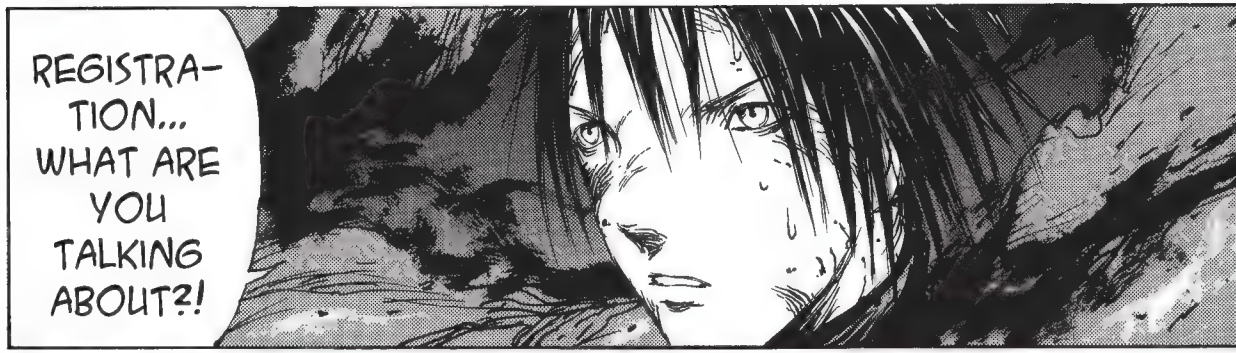




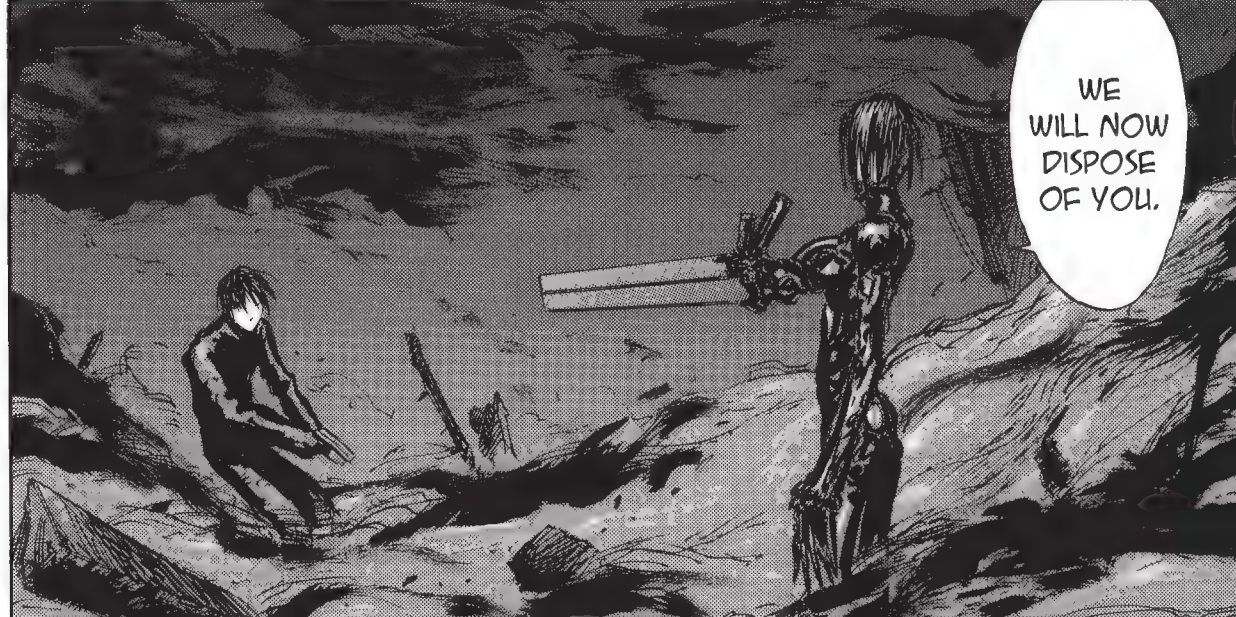


YOUR
REGISTRATION
AS A
SAFEGUARD
WILL BE
REVOKED.

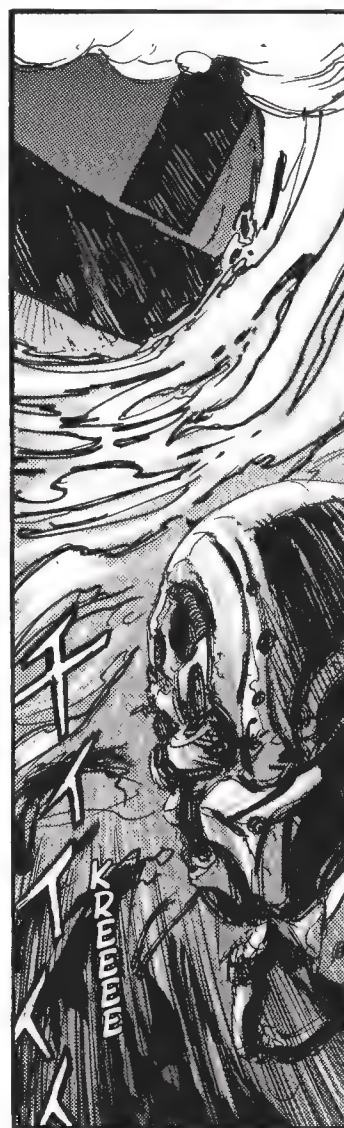
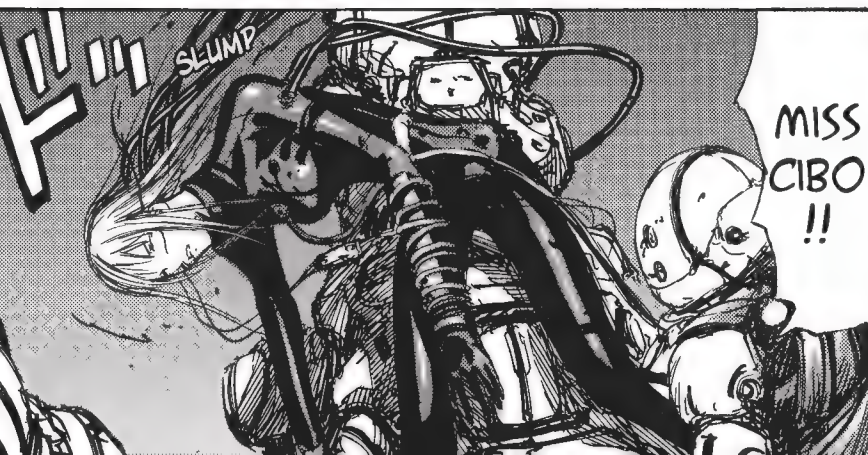
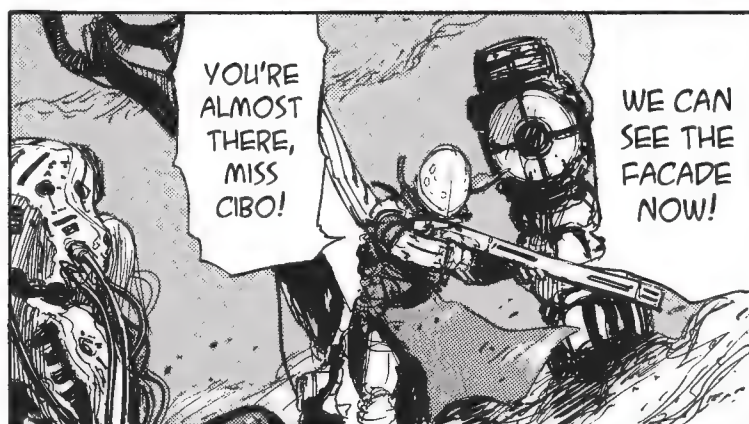
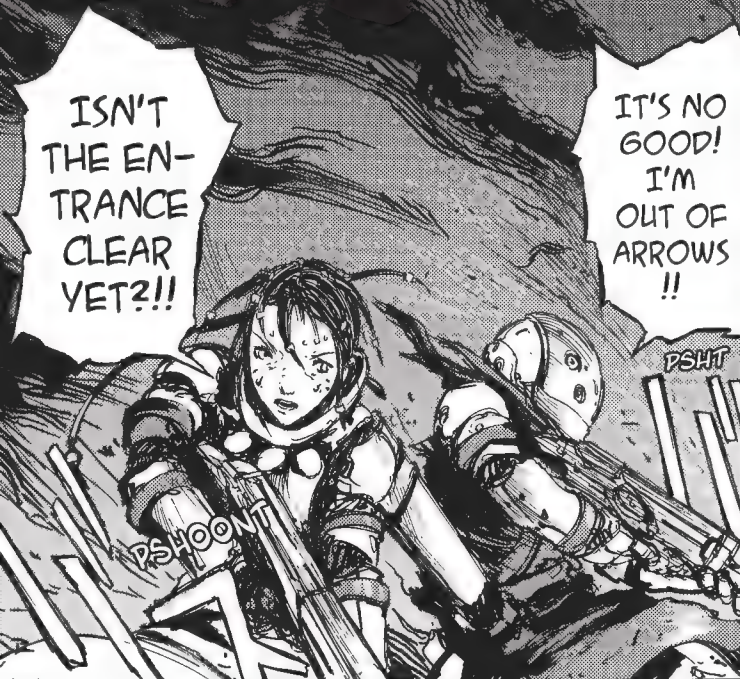
WE
FAILED
TO
REPAIR
YOU.



REGISTRA-
TION...
WHAT ARE
YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?!

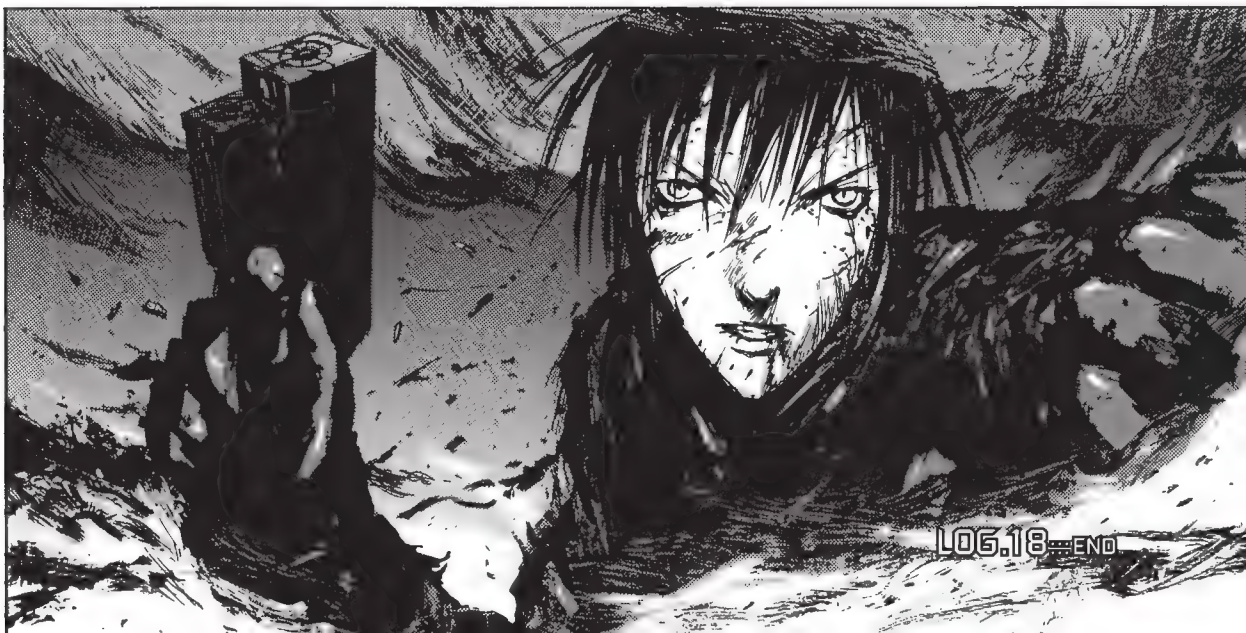
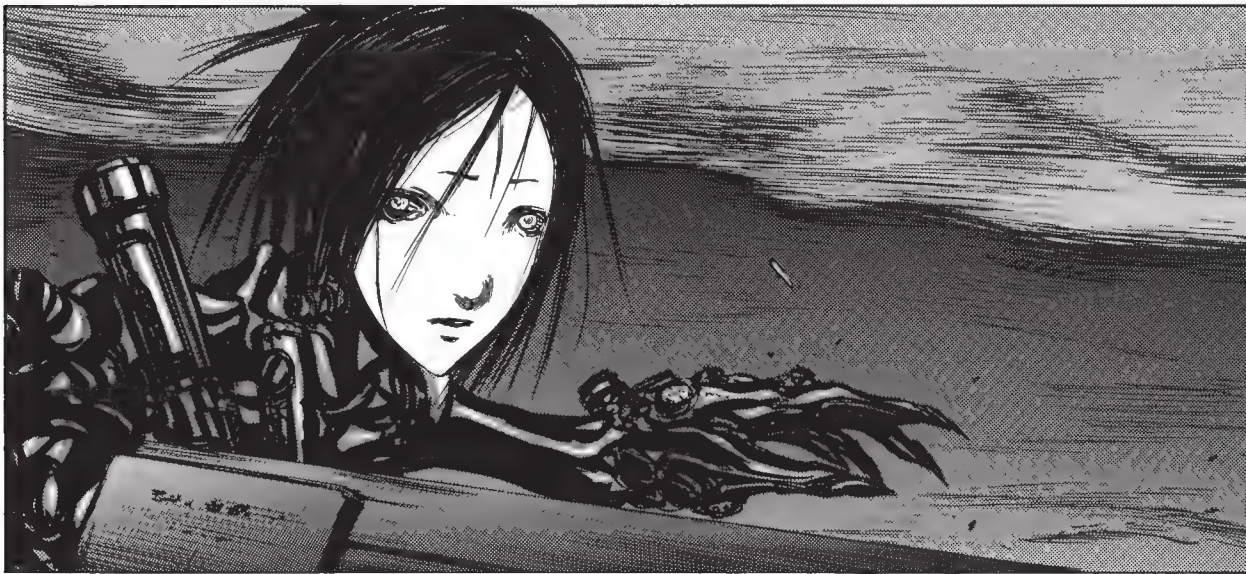
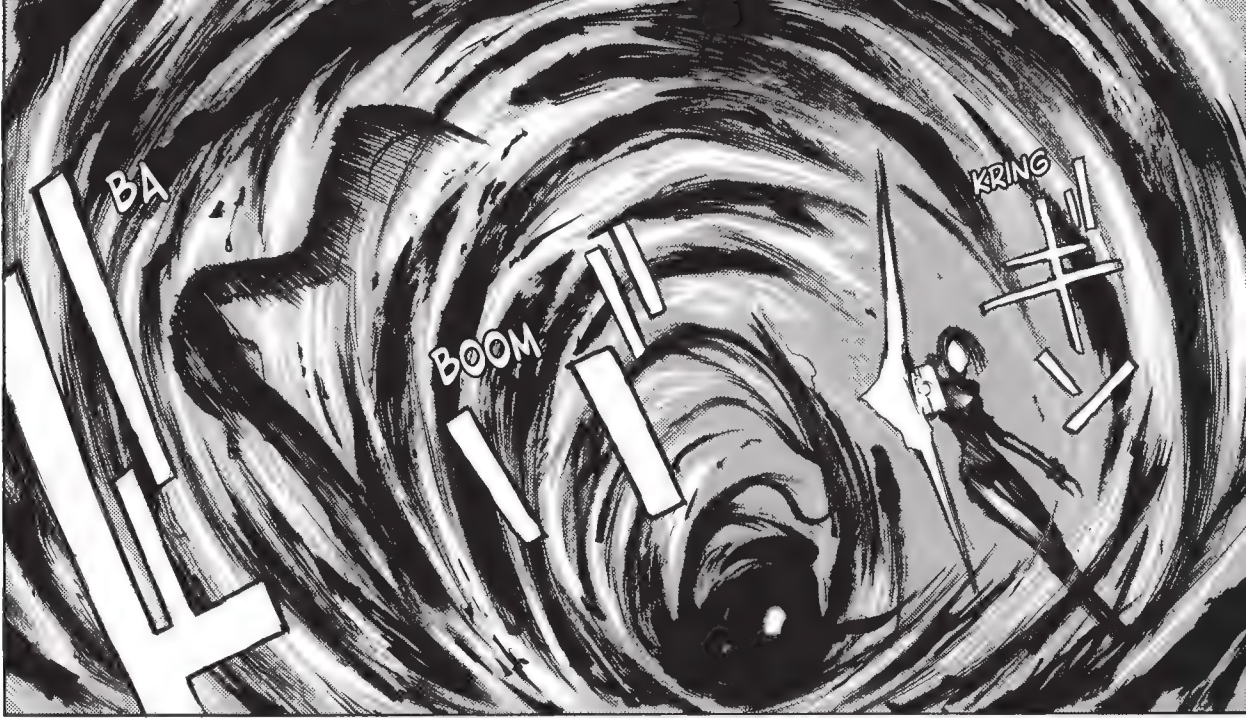


WE
WILL NOW
DISPOSE
OF YOU.



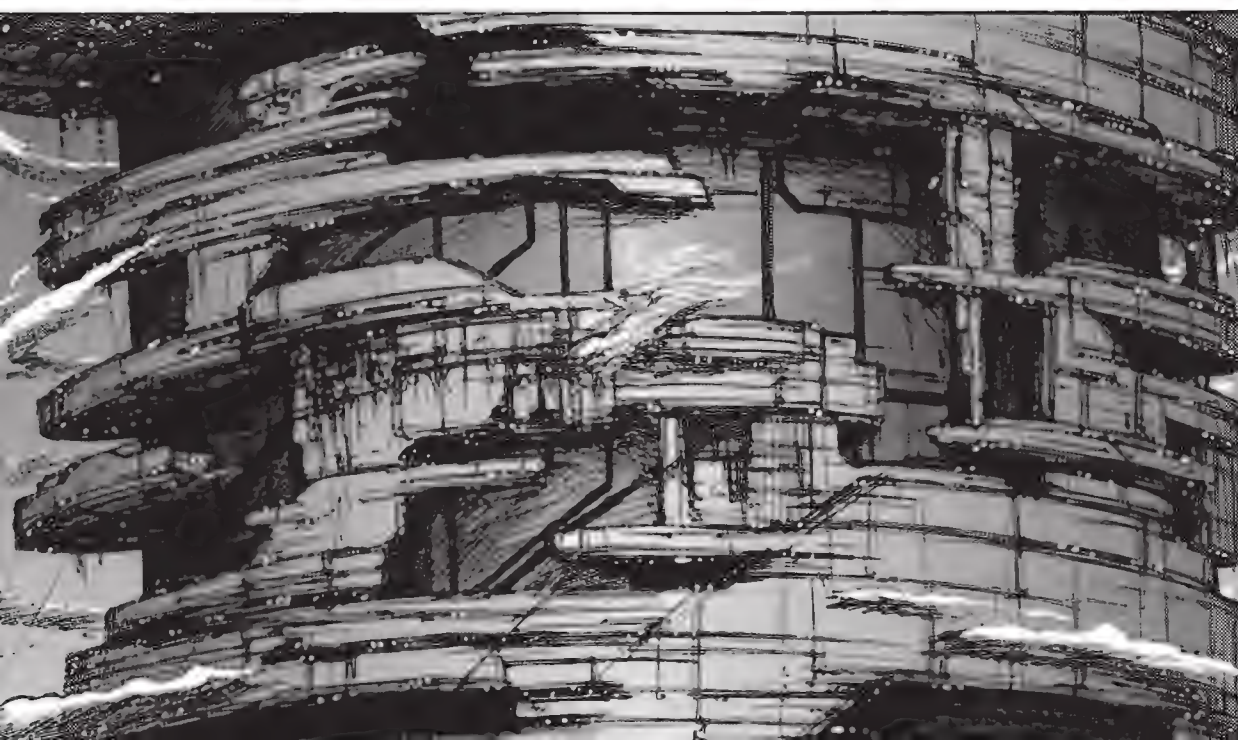






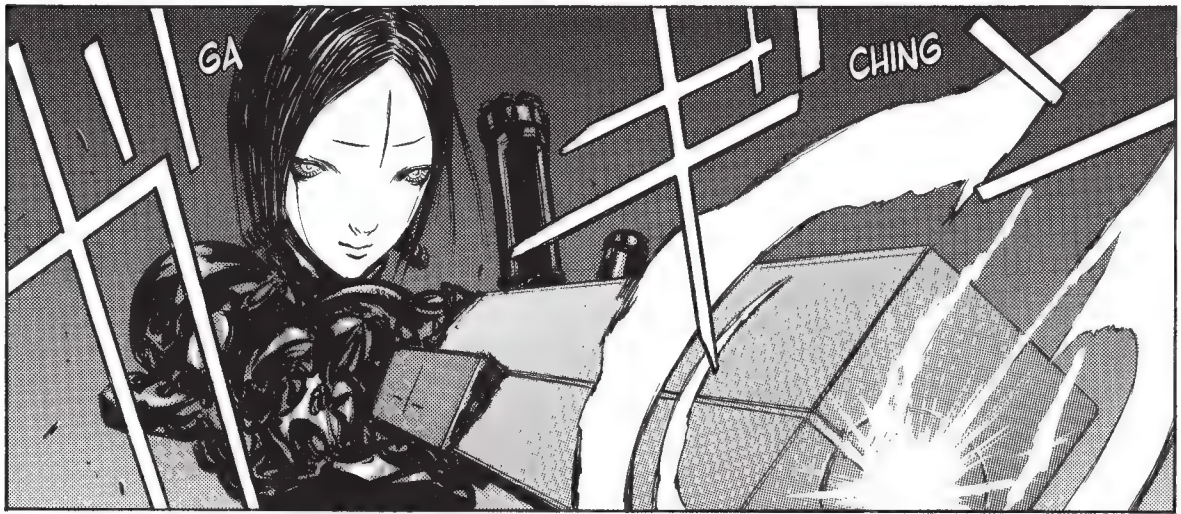
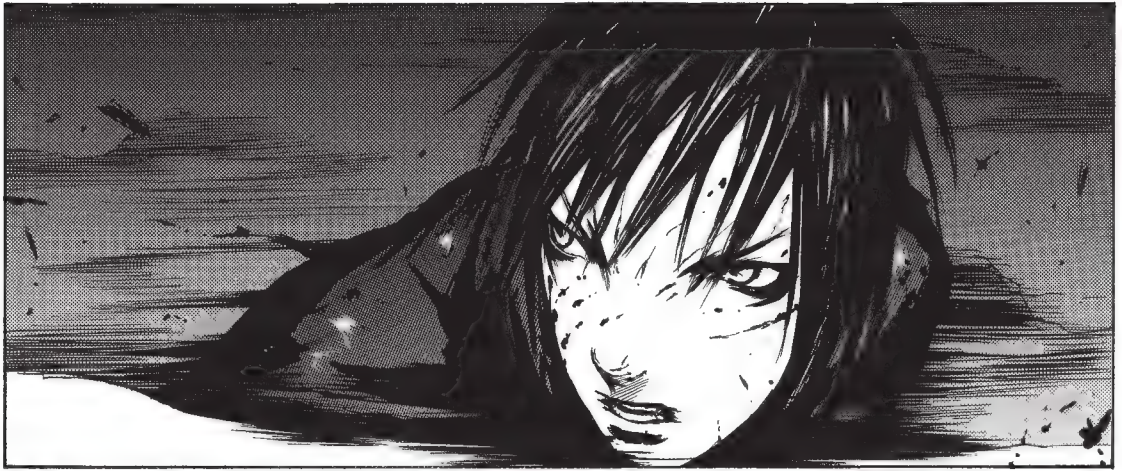


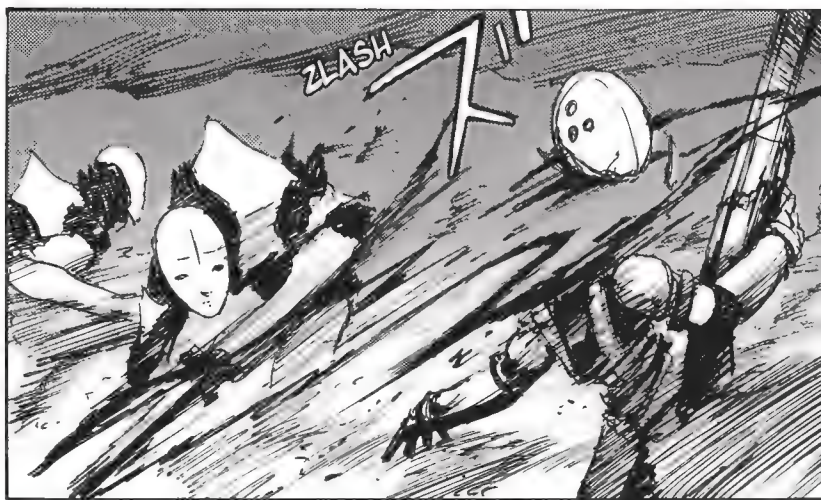


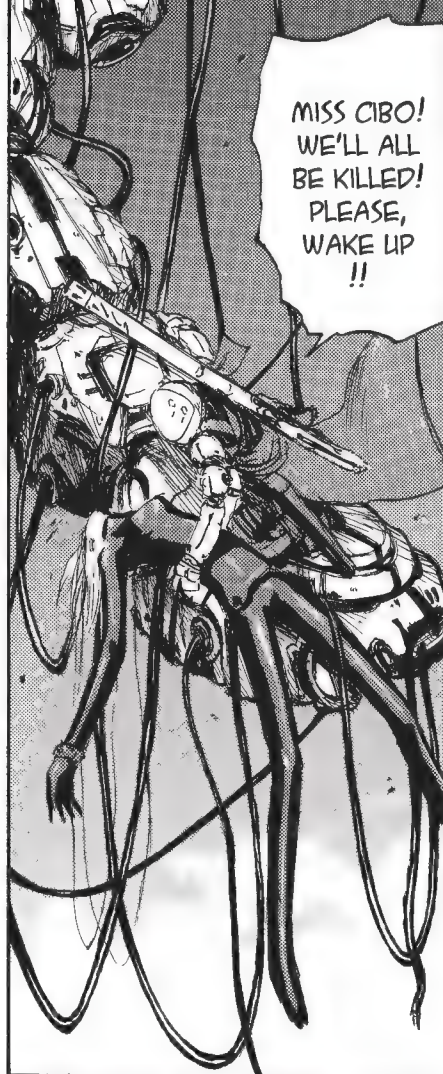


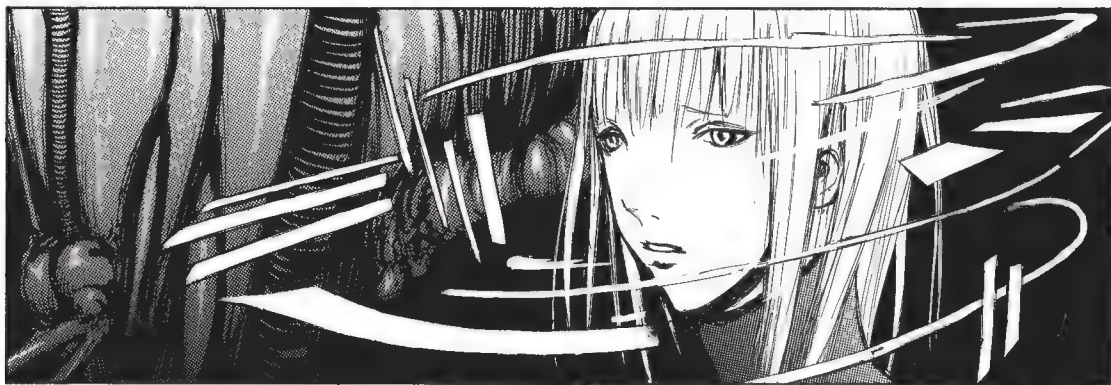
LOG 19:
THE BACKUP WORLD

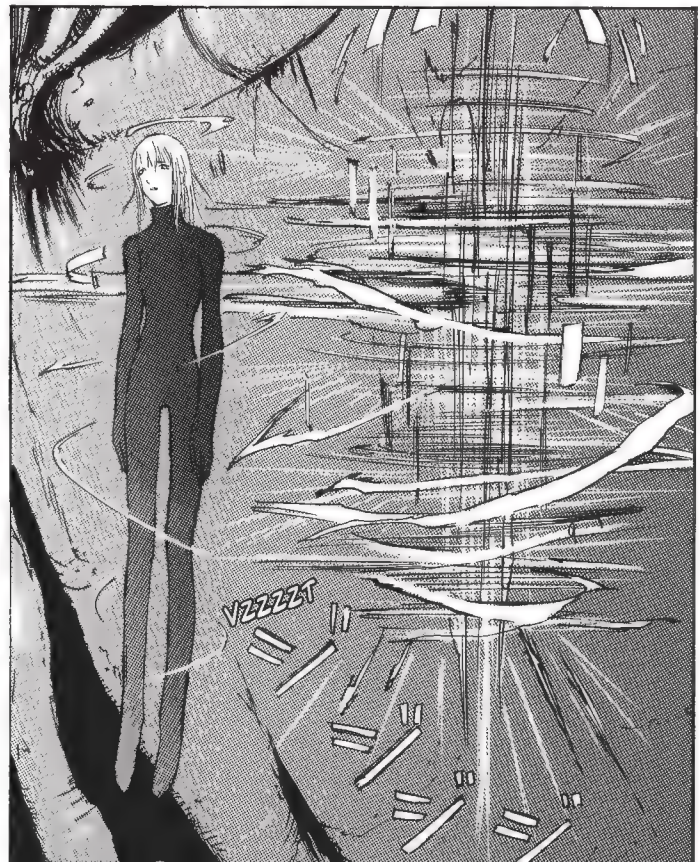
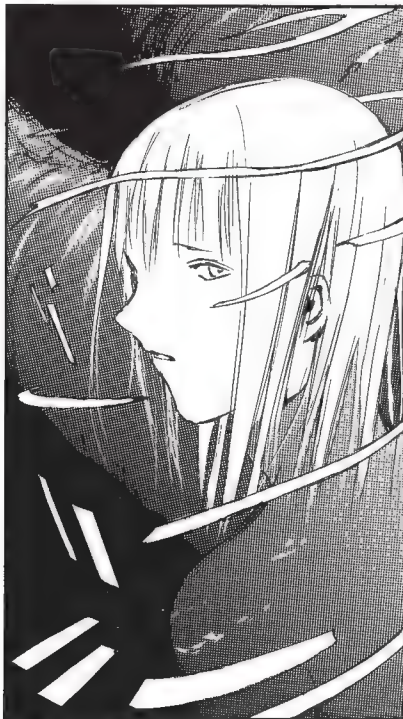
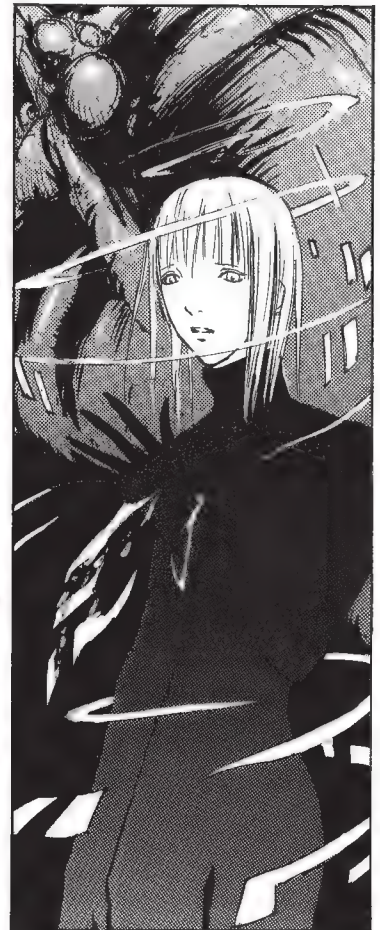
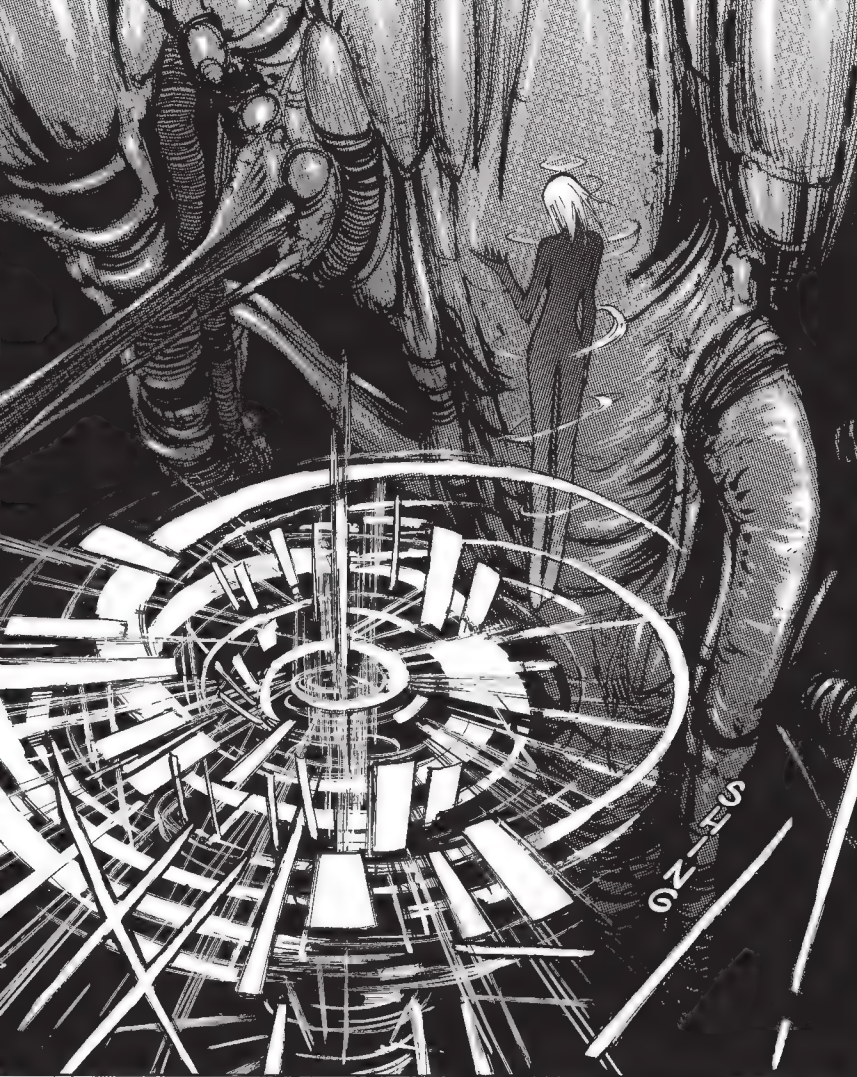
















AM I
DOING
HERE
...?!

...
WHAT
...



THE
ADMINISTRATION
...



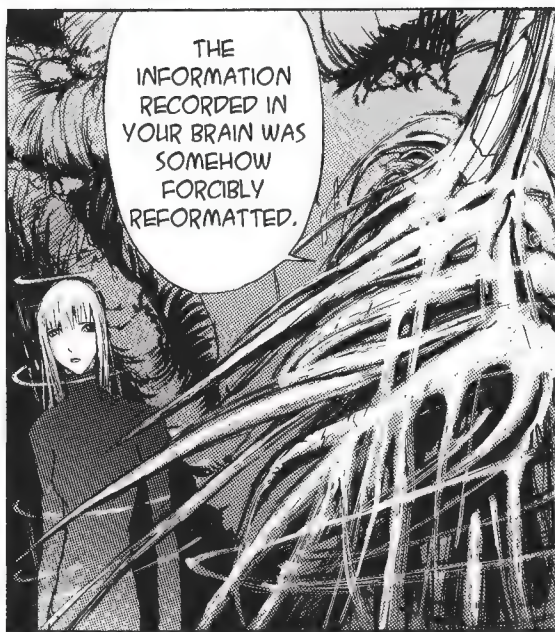
YOUR
PERSONALITY HAS
BECOME A DIGITAL
ENTITY AND HAS
MANIFESTED HERE.
THIS MAY BE DUE
TO YOUR DATA
LINK WITH THE
ONE CALLED
KYRII.

THIS
IS ONE OF THE
BACKUP WORLDS
CONNECTING
THE NETSPHERE
AND THE BASE
REALITY.

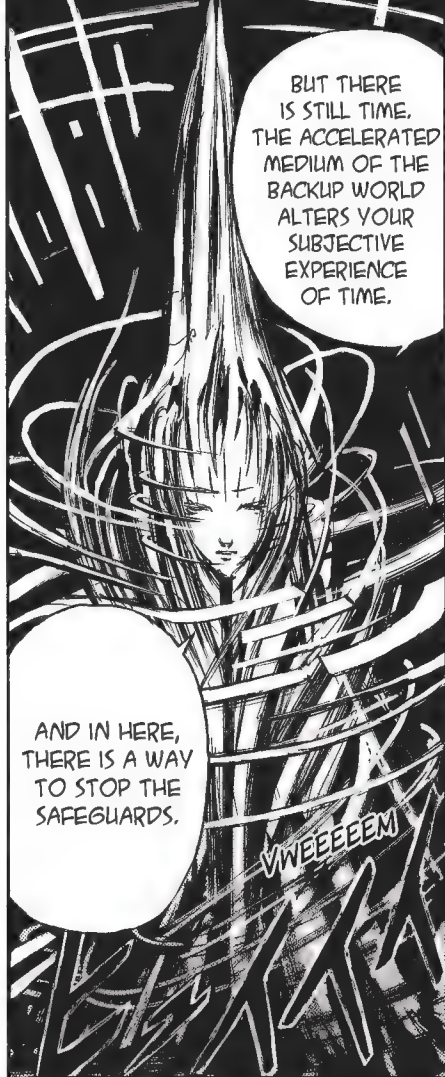


I
HAVE TO...
GO BACK...

...
OH, RIGHT
...
THE
SAFEGUARDS
...



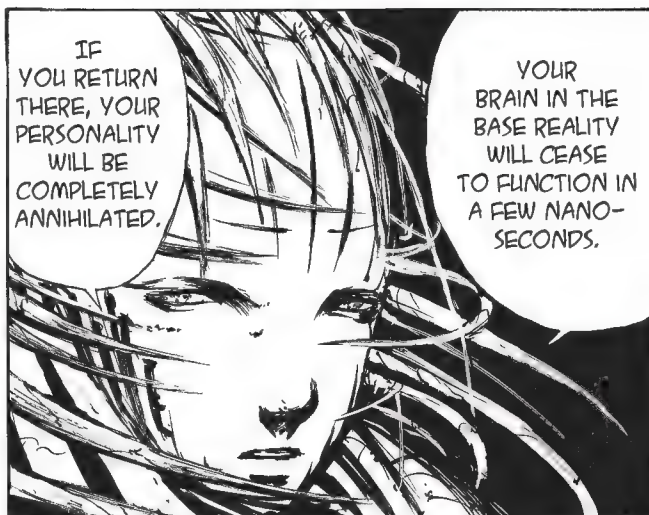
THE
INFORMATION
RECORDED IN
YOUR BRAIN WAS
SOMEHOW
FORCIBLY
REFORMATTED.



BUT THERE IS STILL TIME. THE ACCELERATED MEDIUM OF THE BACKUP WORLD ALTERS YOUR SUBJECTIVE EXPERIENCE OF TIME.

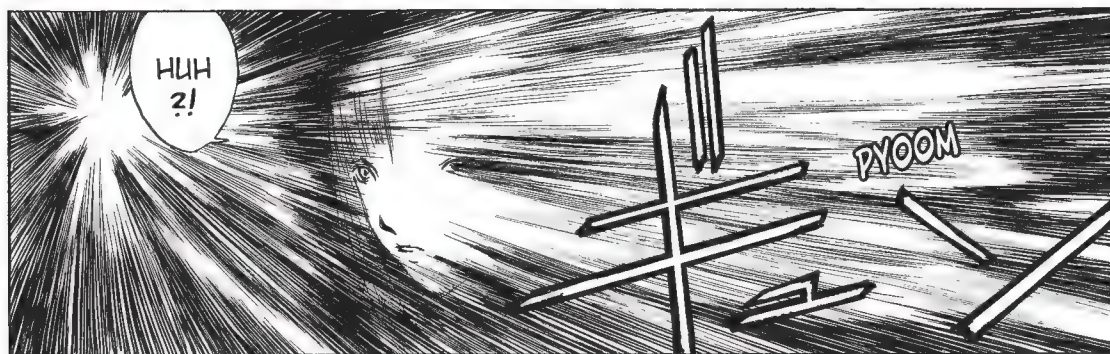
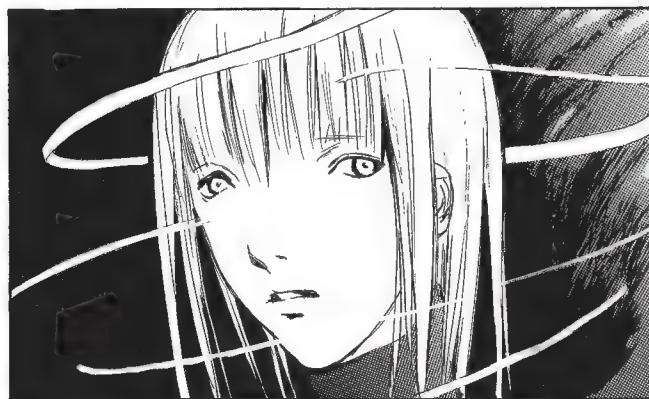
AND IN HERE, THERE IS A WAY TO STOP THE SAFEGUARDS.

VWEEEEEM



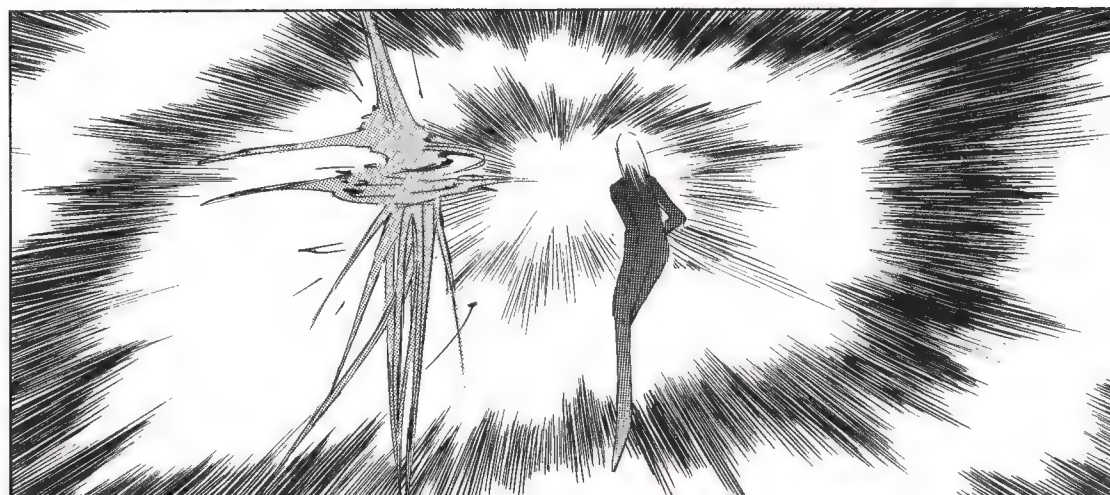
IF YOU RETURN THERE, YOUR PERSONALITY WILL BE COMPLETELY ANNIHILATED.

YOUR BRAIN IN THE BASE REALITY WILL CEASE TO FUNCTION IN A FEW NANO-SECONDS.



HUH ?!

PYOOM

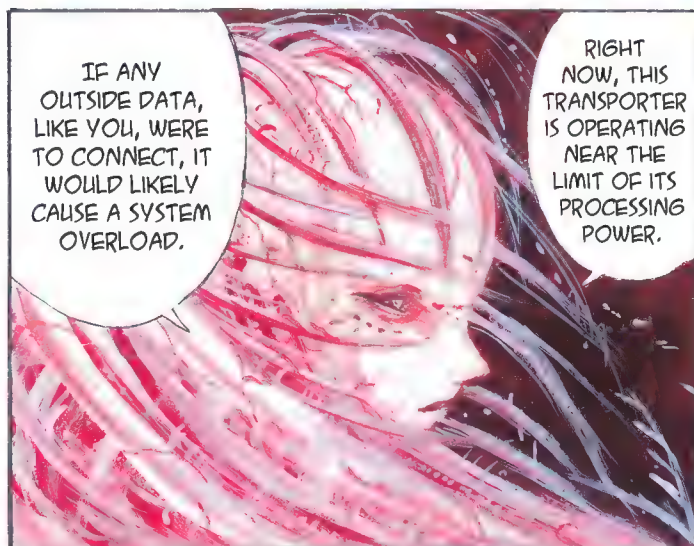






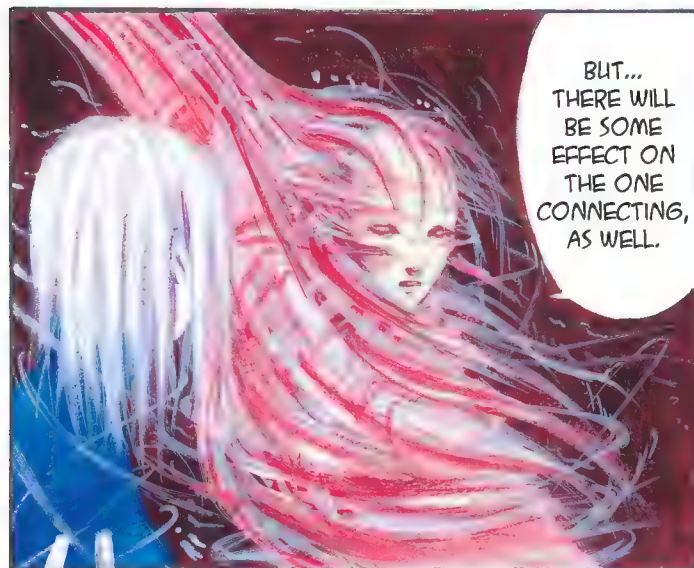
OUR
ACTIONS ARE
HAMPERED
BY ACCESS
RESTRICTIONS.
WE WILL
NEED YOUR
HELP.

THIS IS THE
TRANSPORTER
THAT THE
SAFEGUARDS
ARE CURRENTLY
USING TO
ATTACK
YOU.



IF ANY
OUTSIDE DATA,
LIKE YOU, WERE
TO CONNECT, IT
WOULD LIKELY
CAUSE A SYSTEM
OVERLOAD.

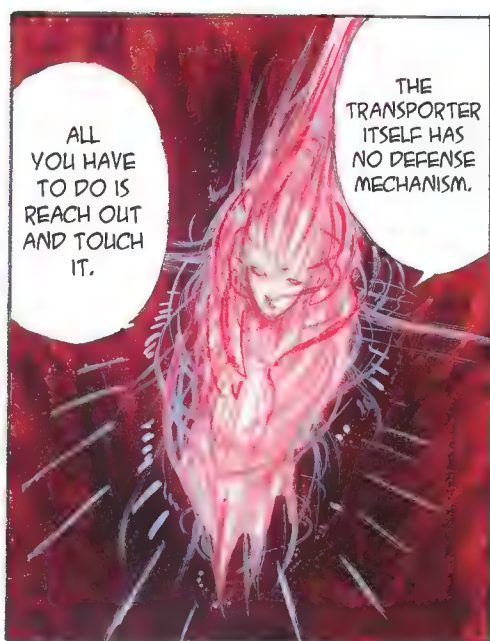
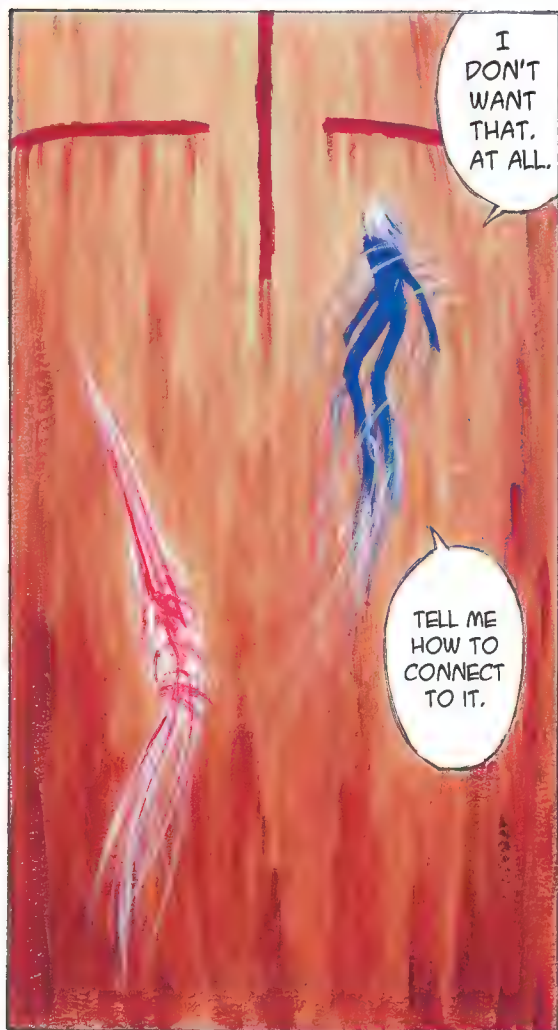
RIGHT
NOW, THIS
TRANSPORTER
IS OPERATING
NEAR THE
LIMIT OF ITS
PROCESSING
POWER.

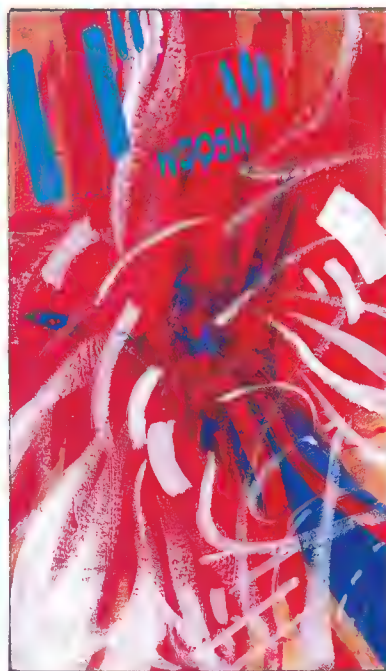


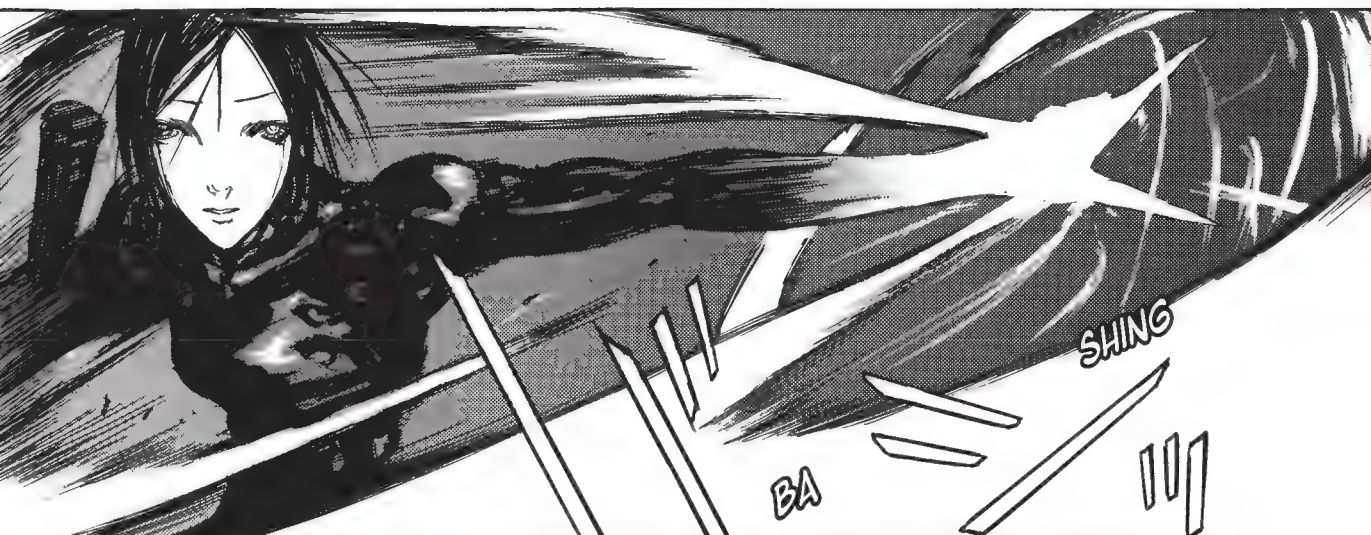
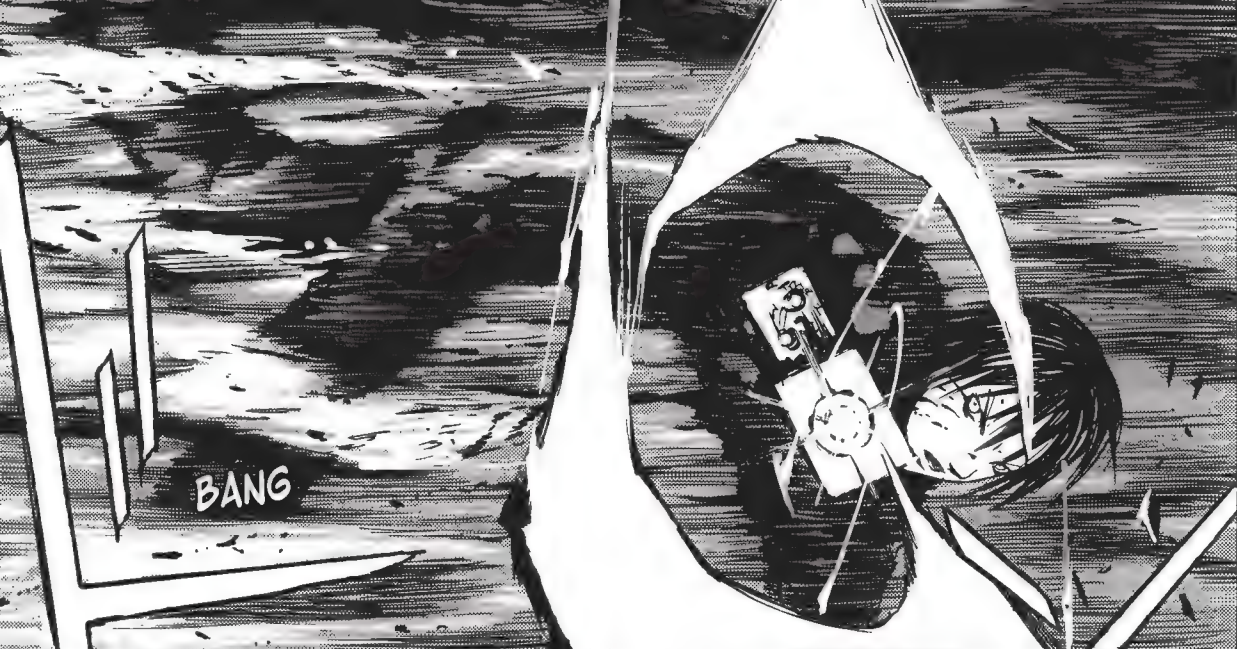
BUT...
THERE WILL
BE SOME
EFFECT ON
THE ONE
CONNECTING,
AS WELL.

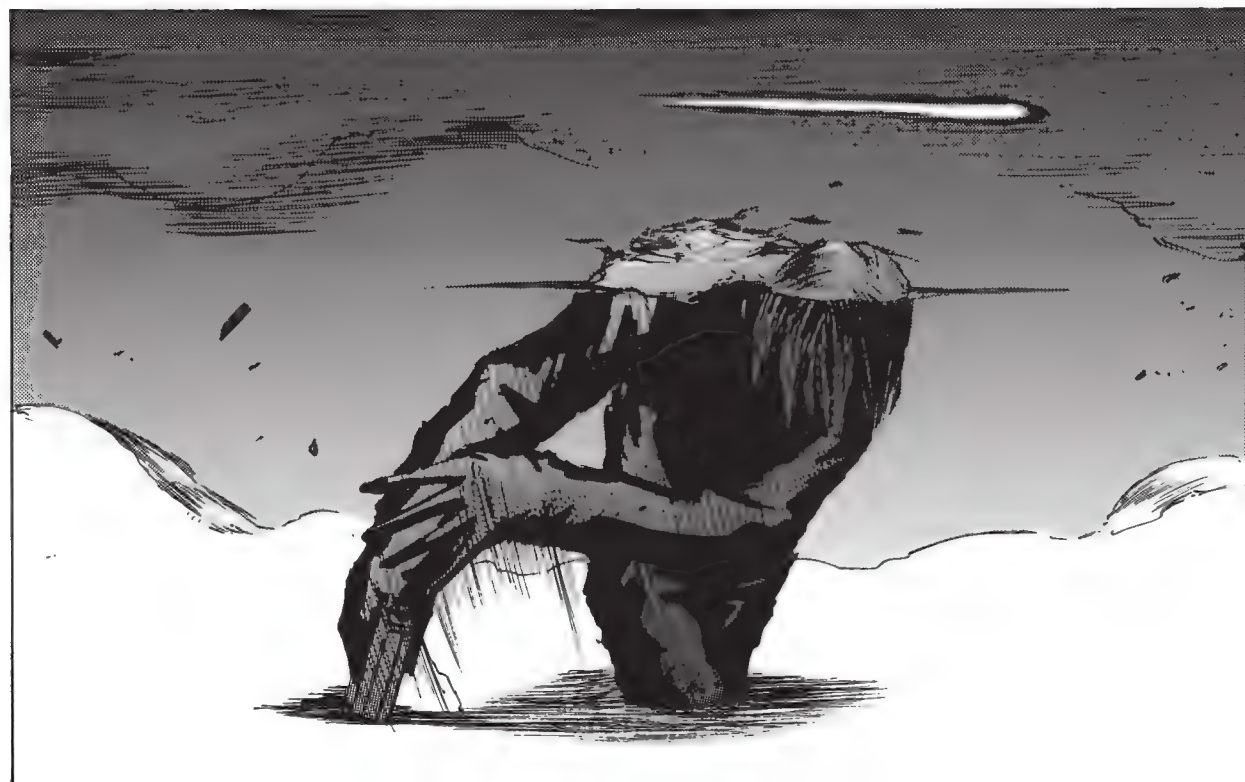
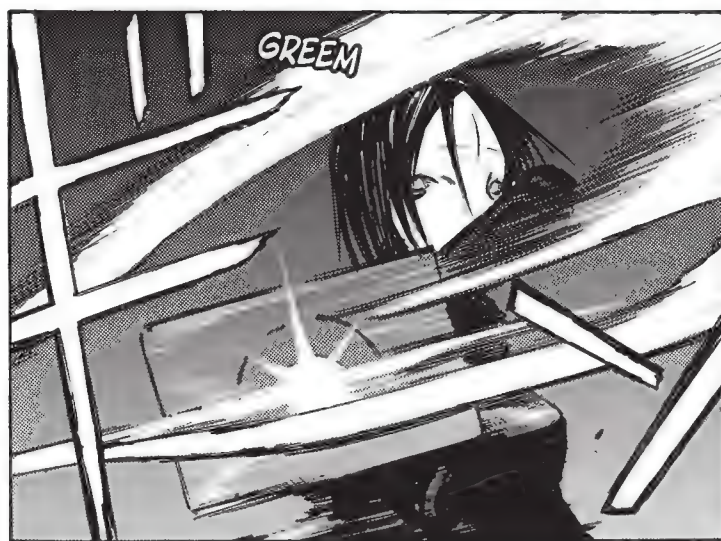
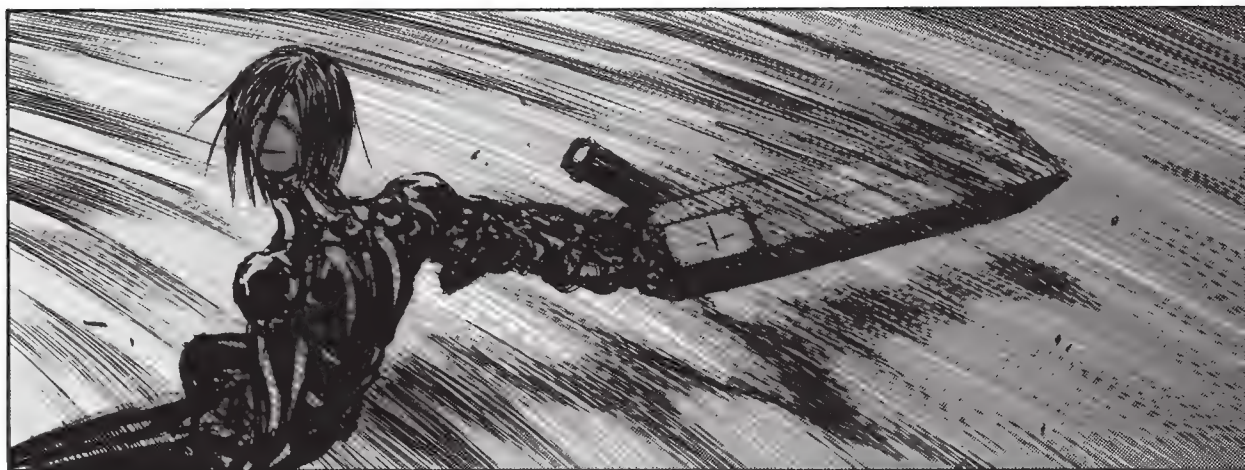


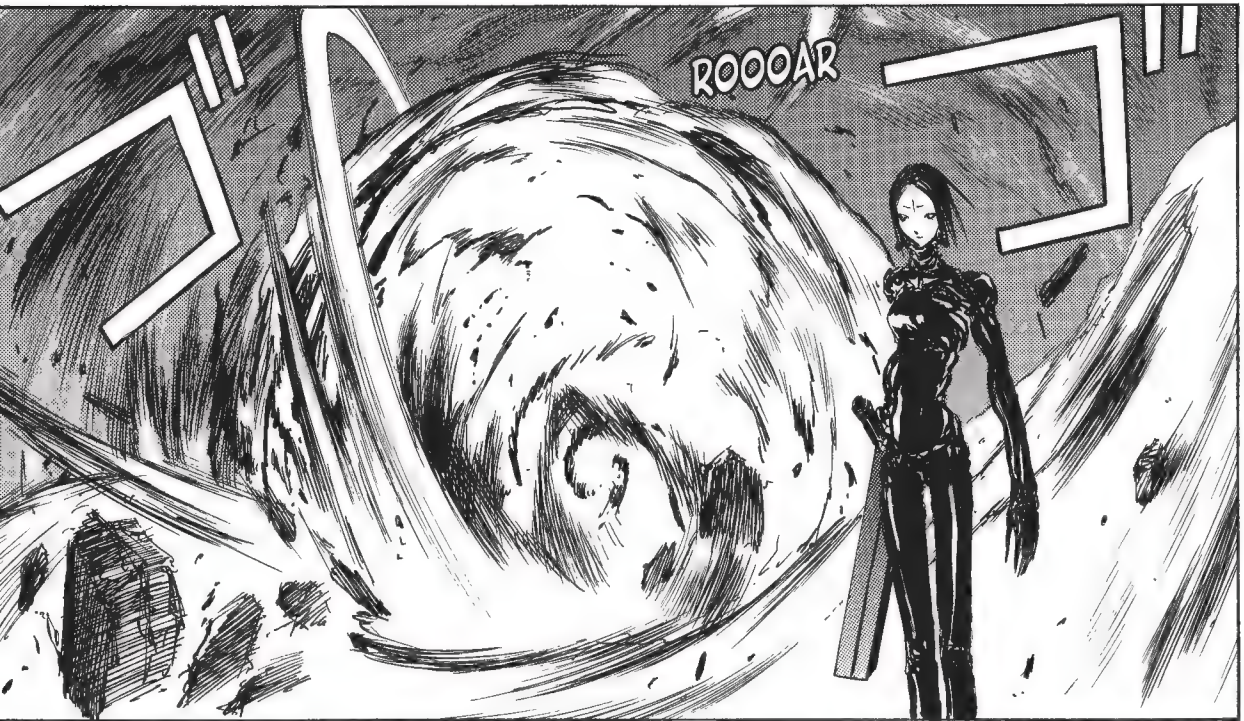
WHAT
SHOULD I
DO?

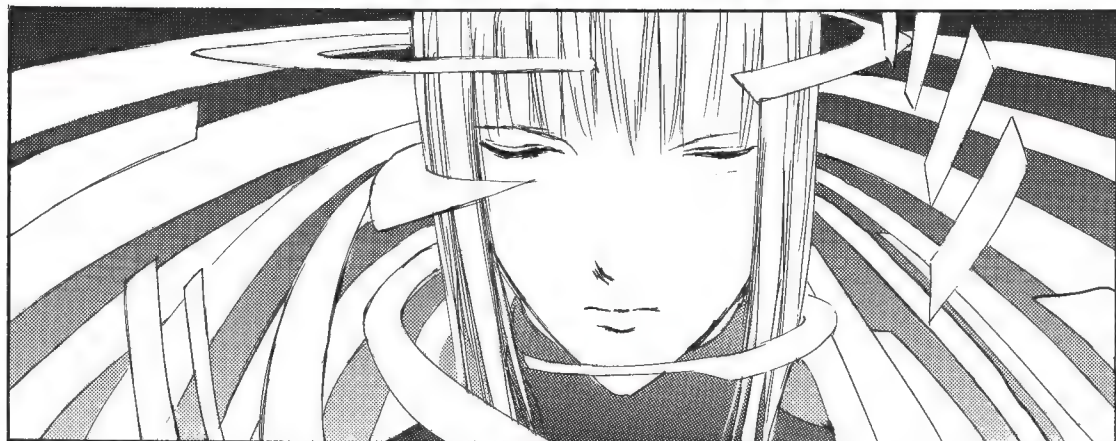


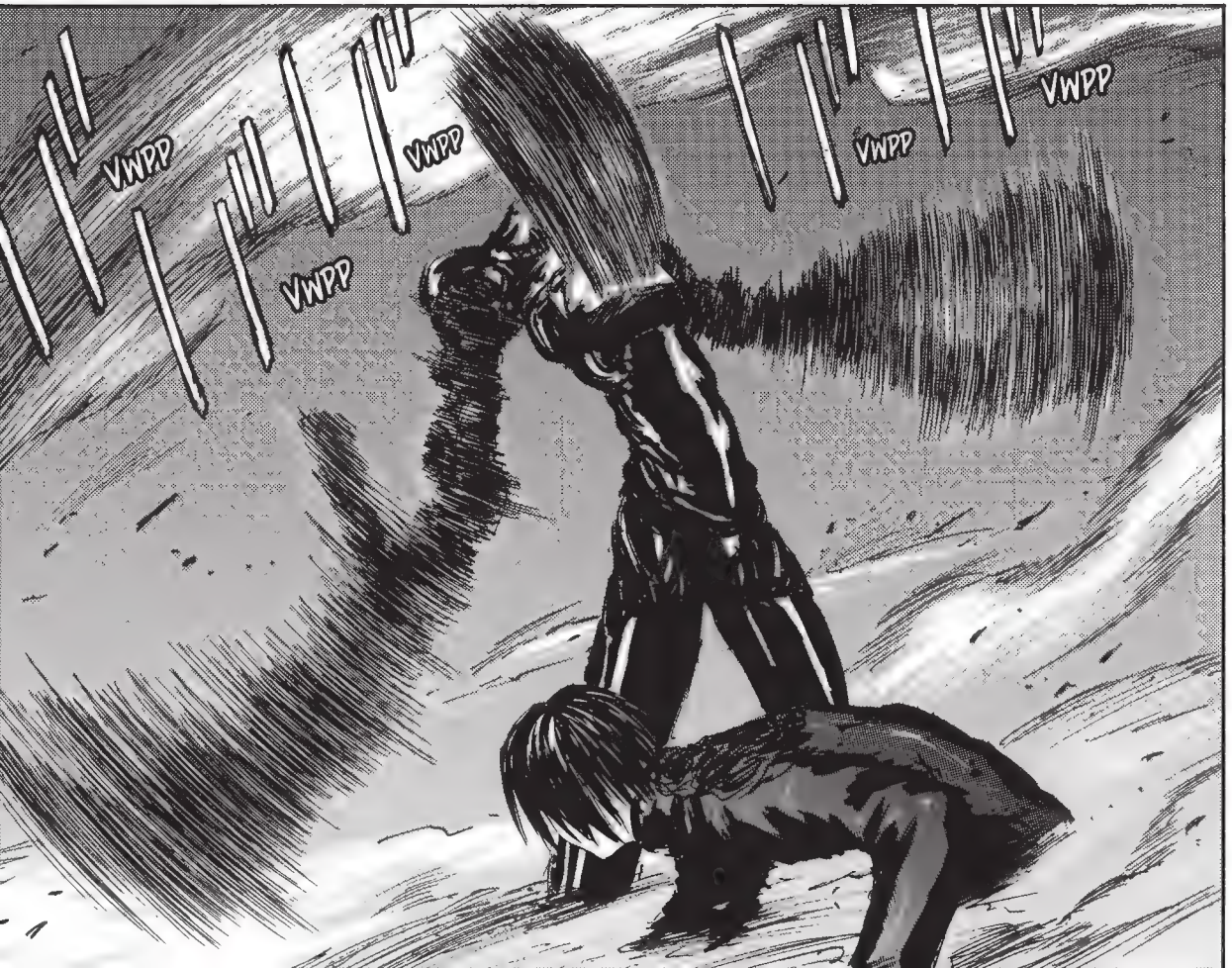


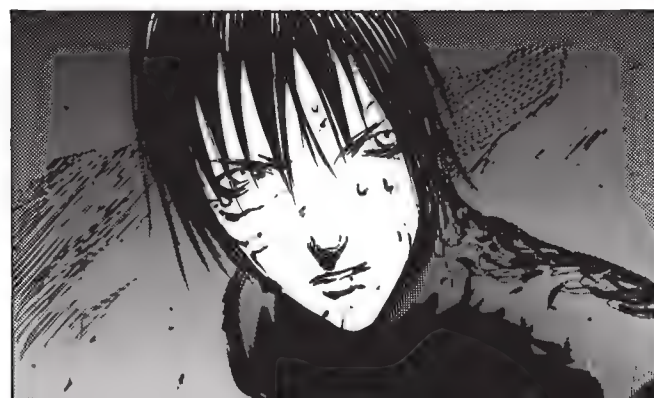
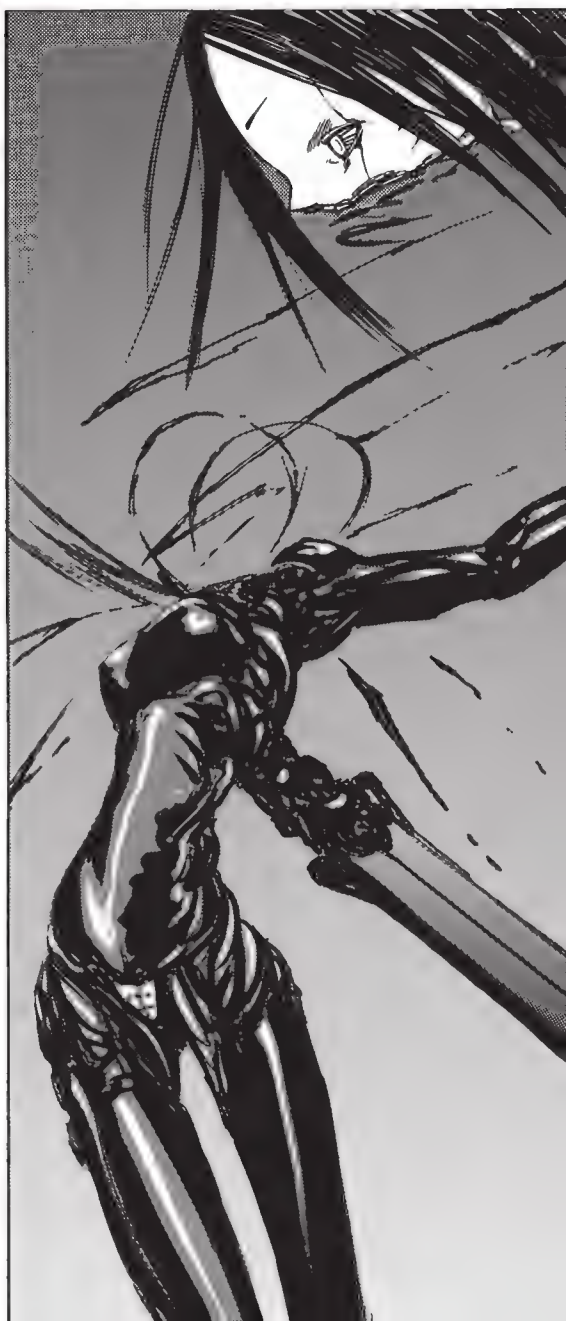
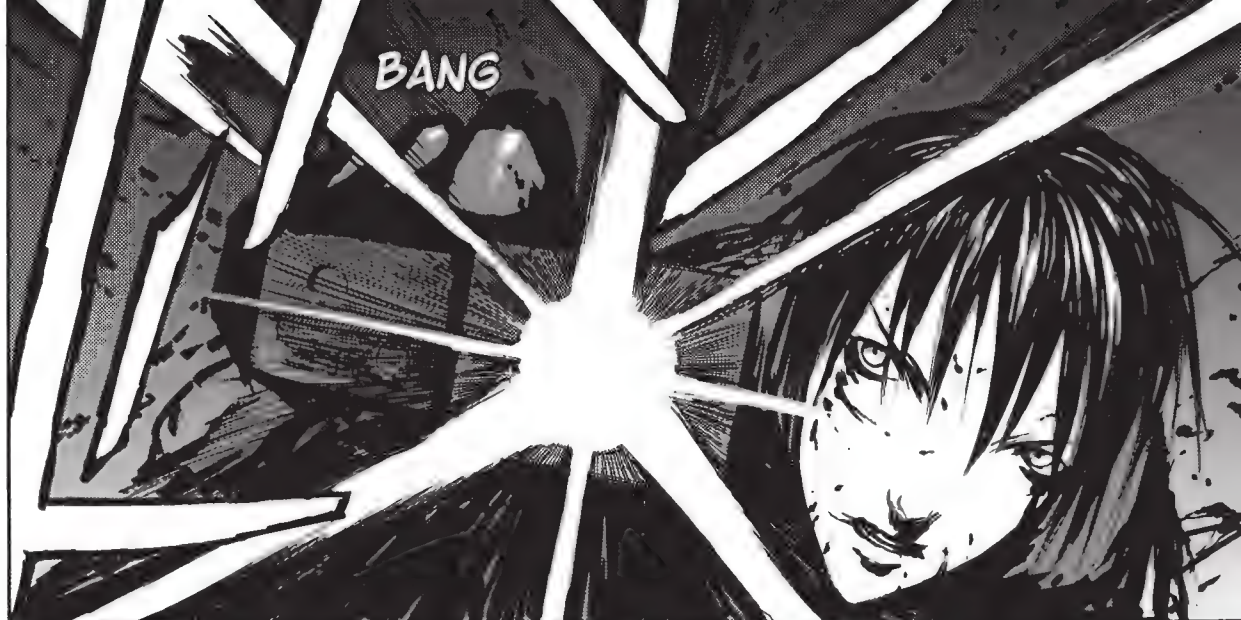


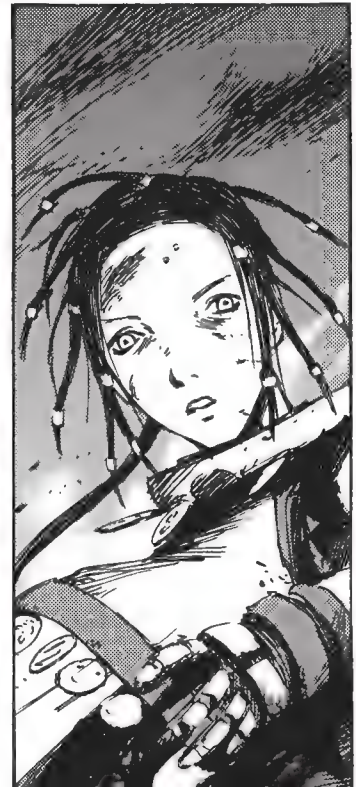
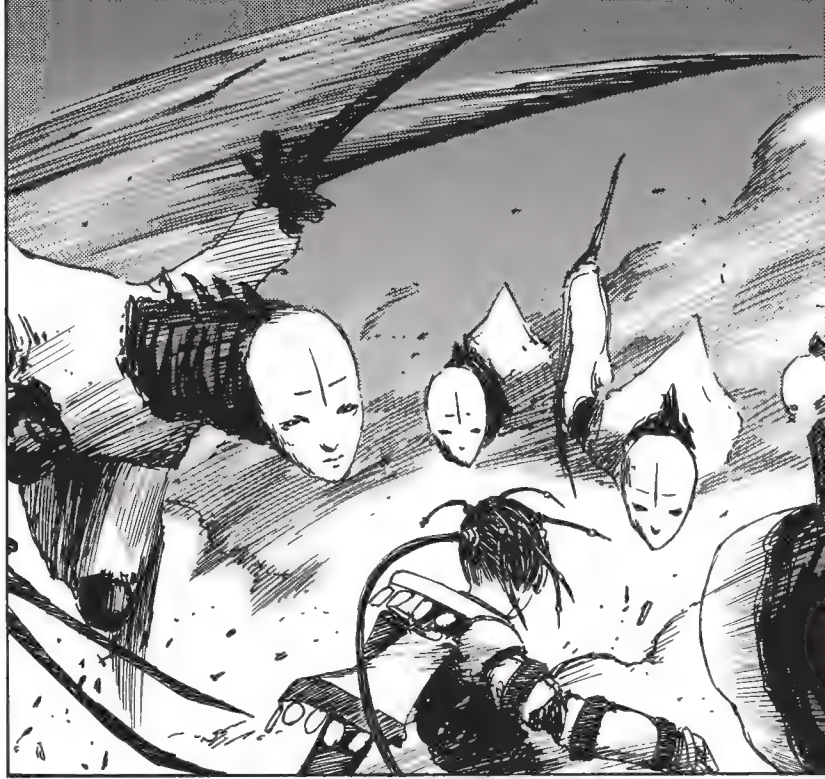




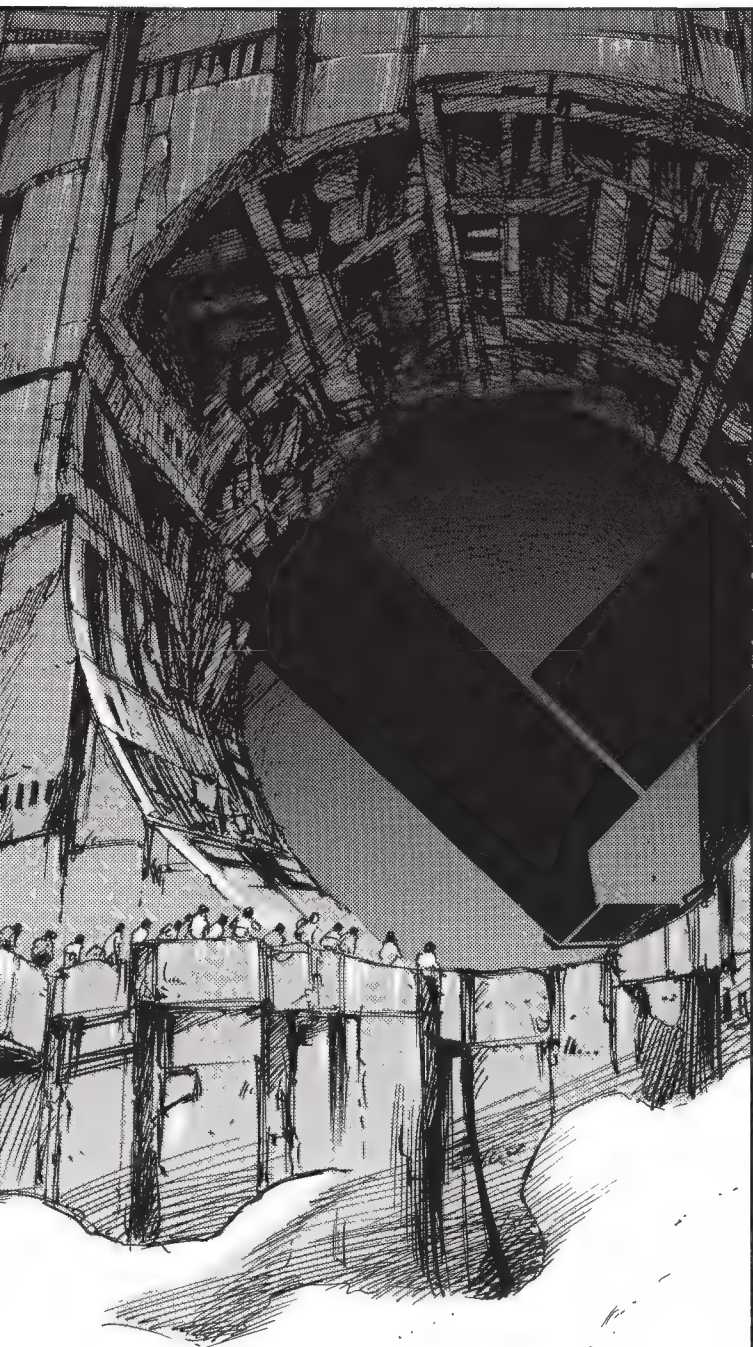
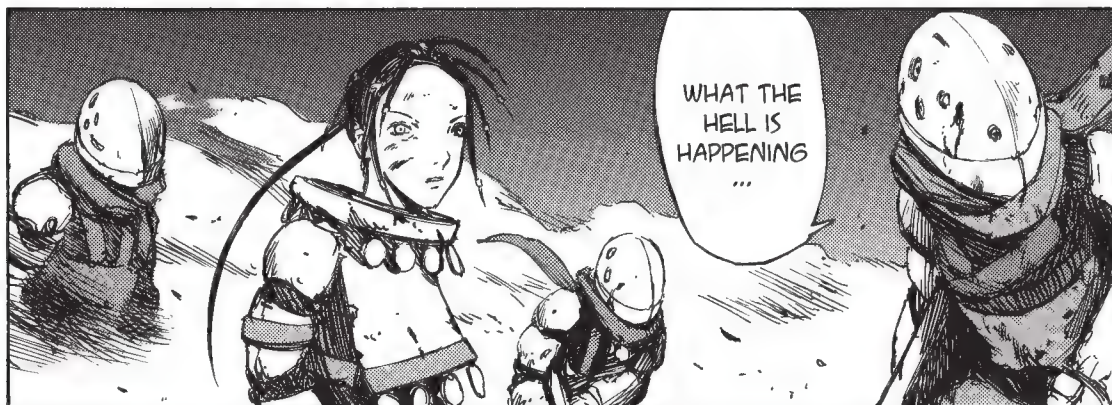




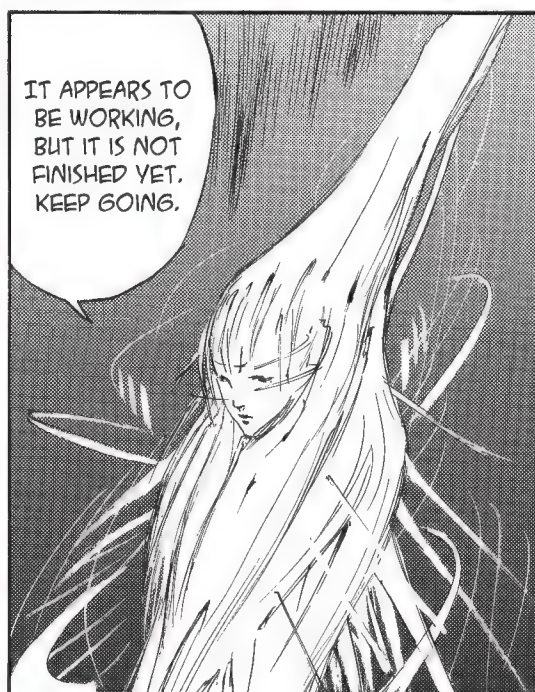


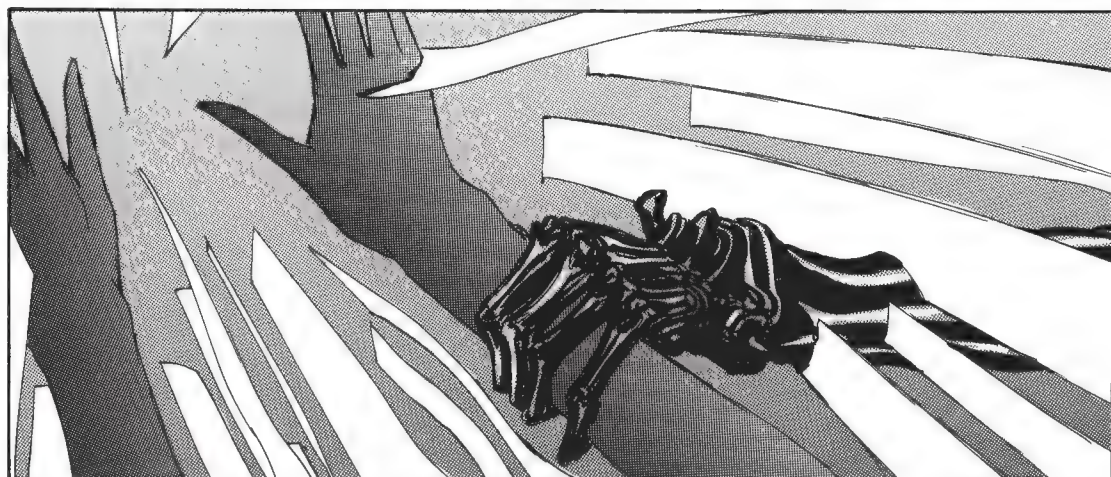
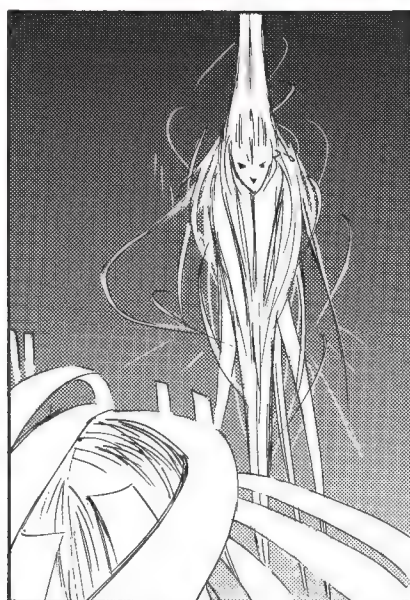
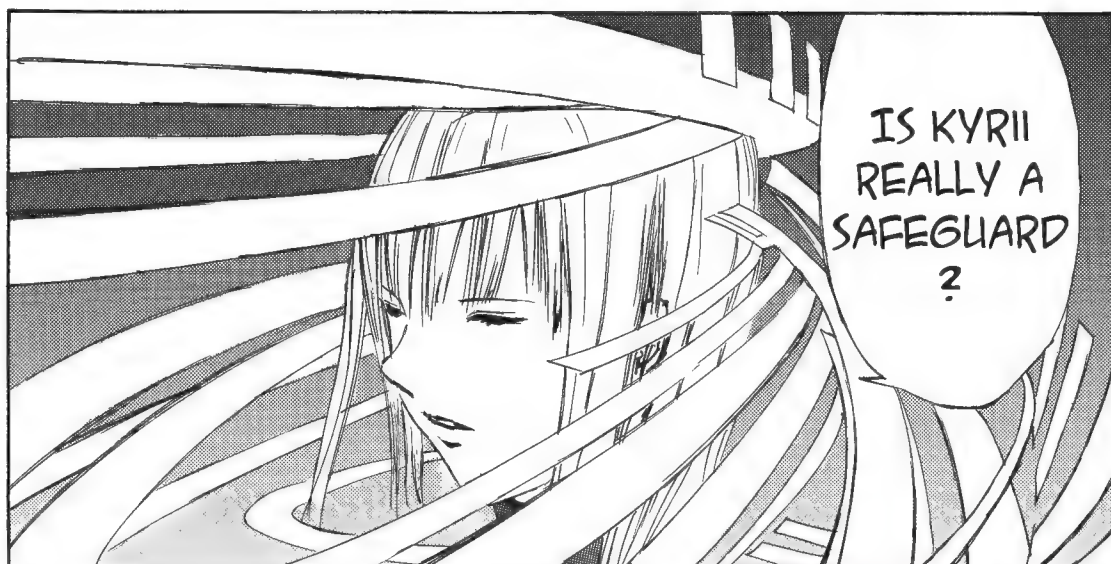


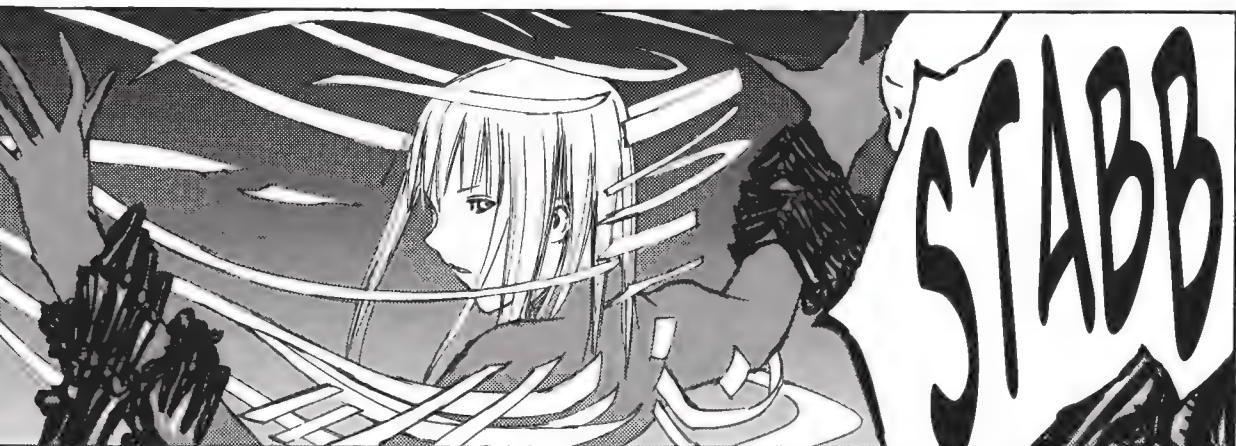
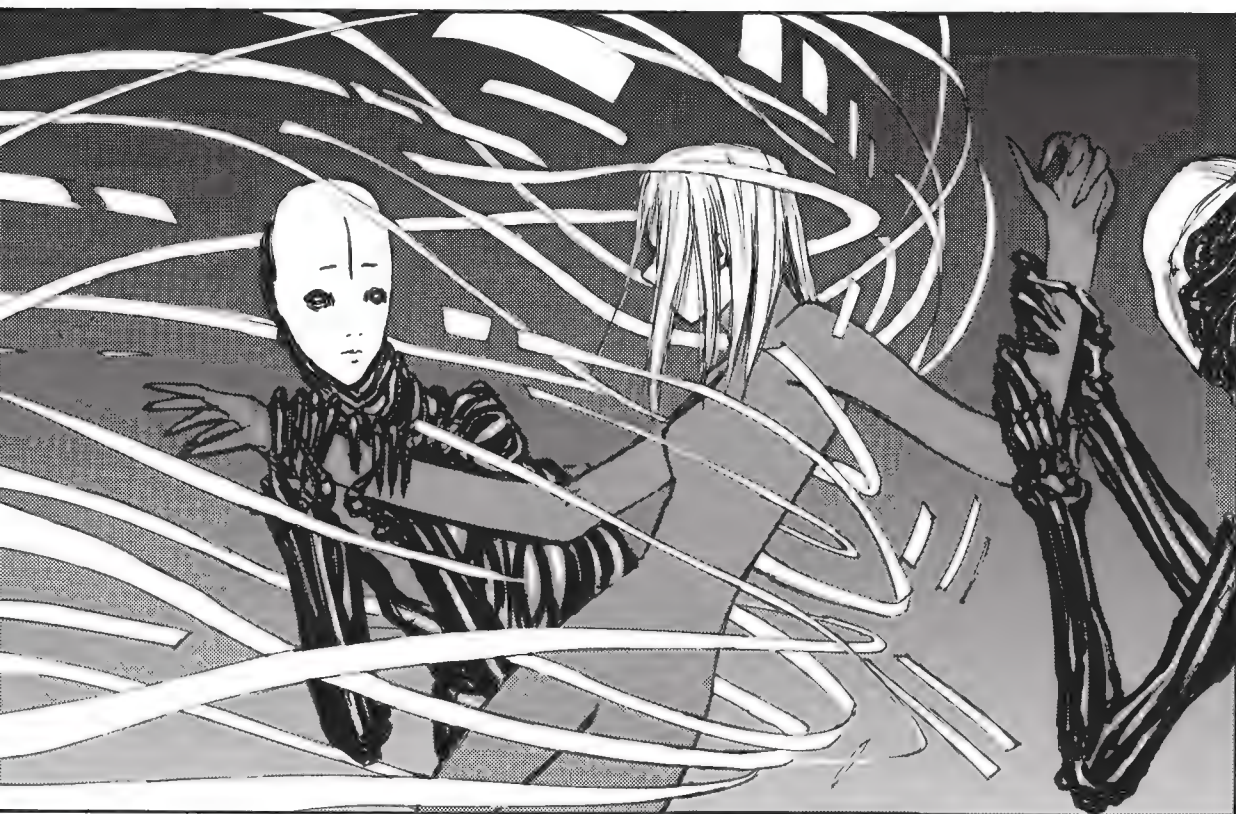




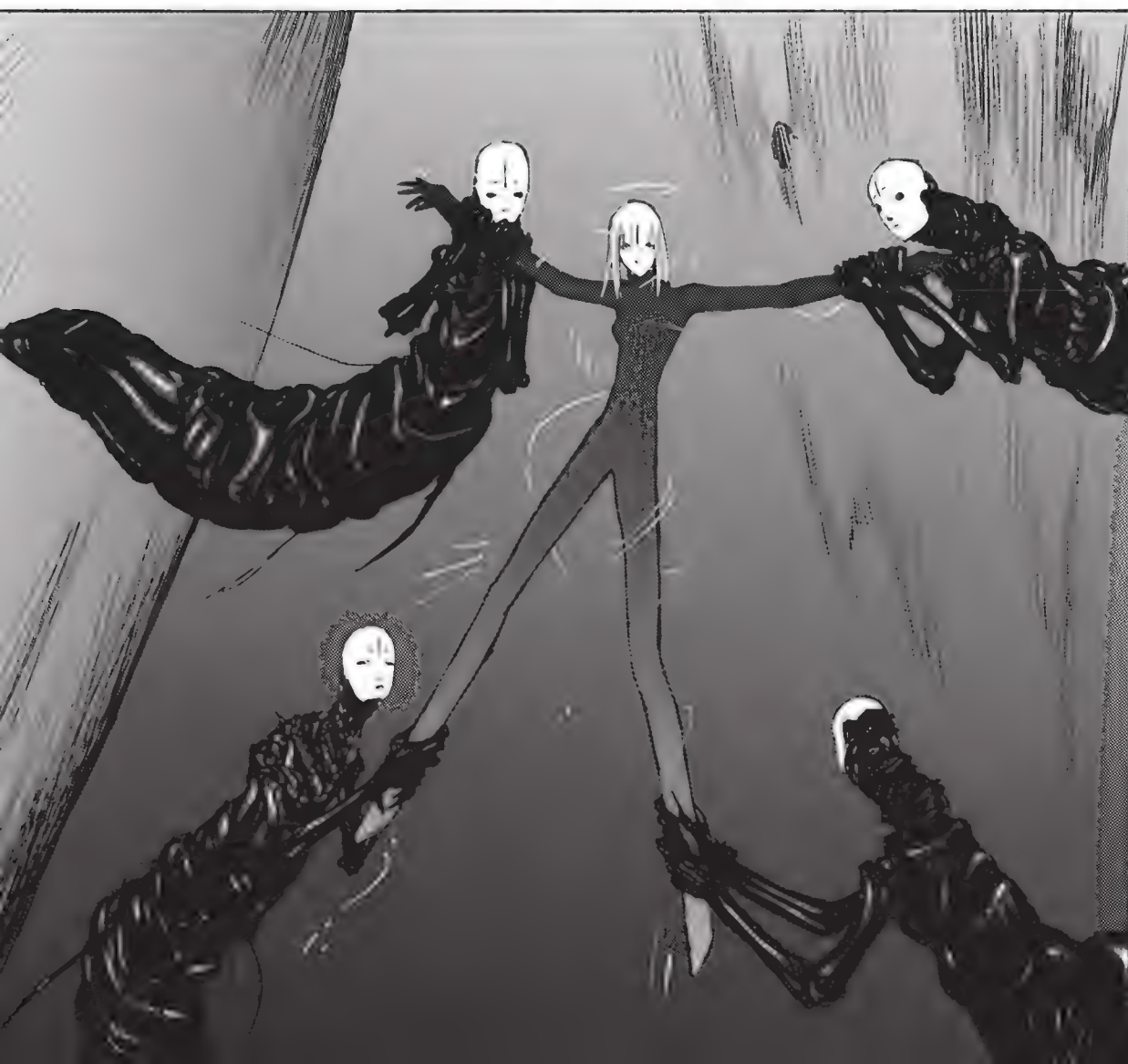
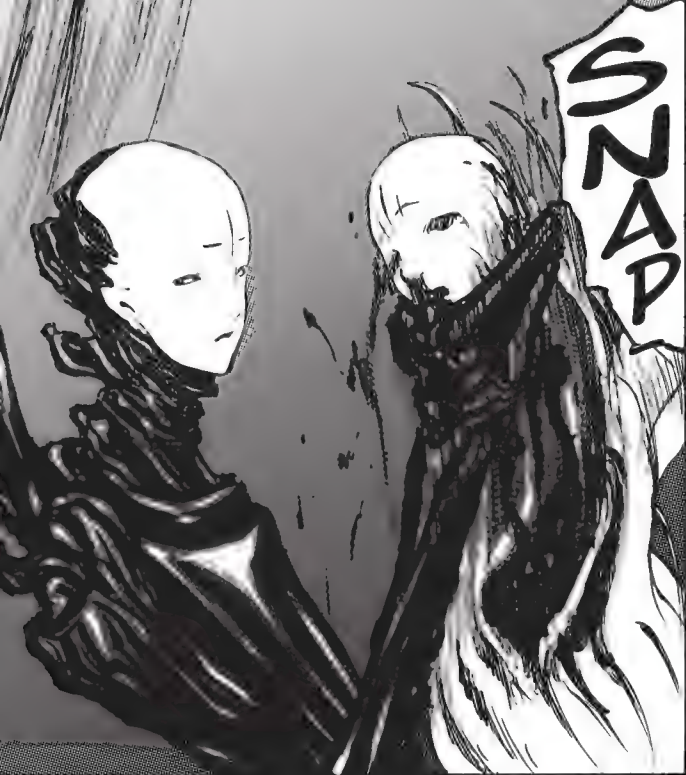


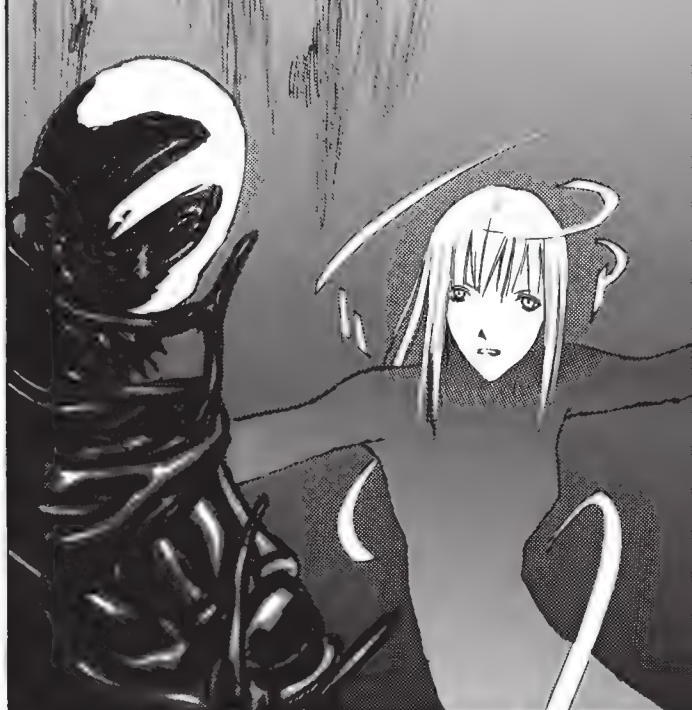


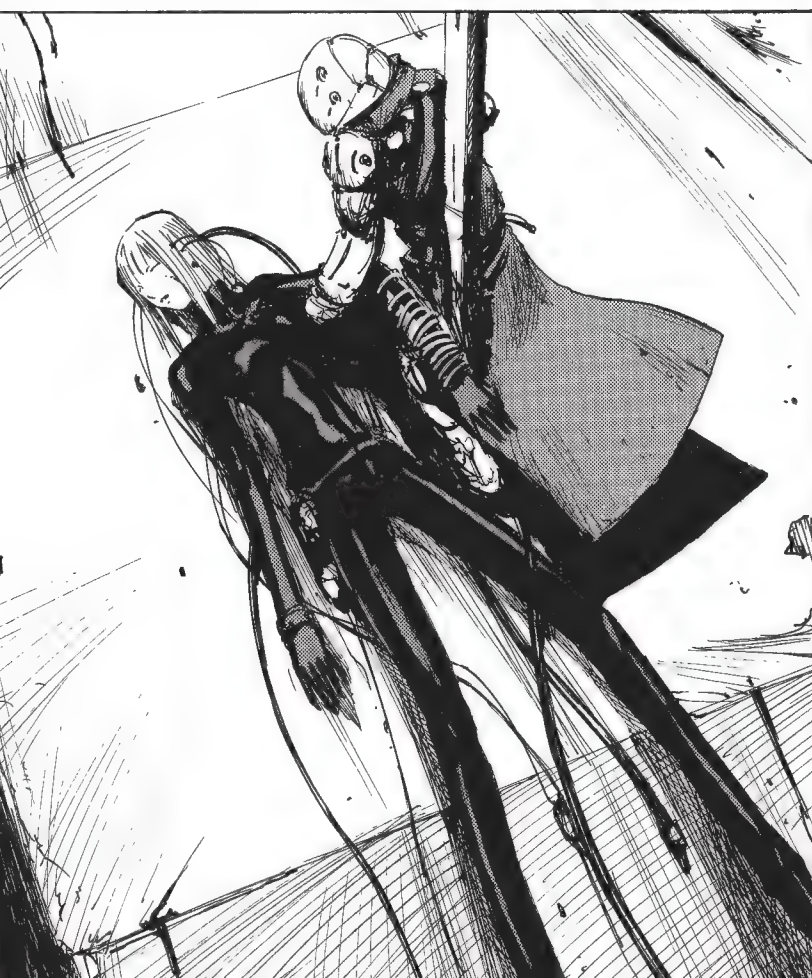


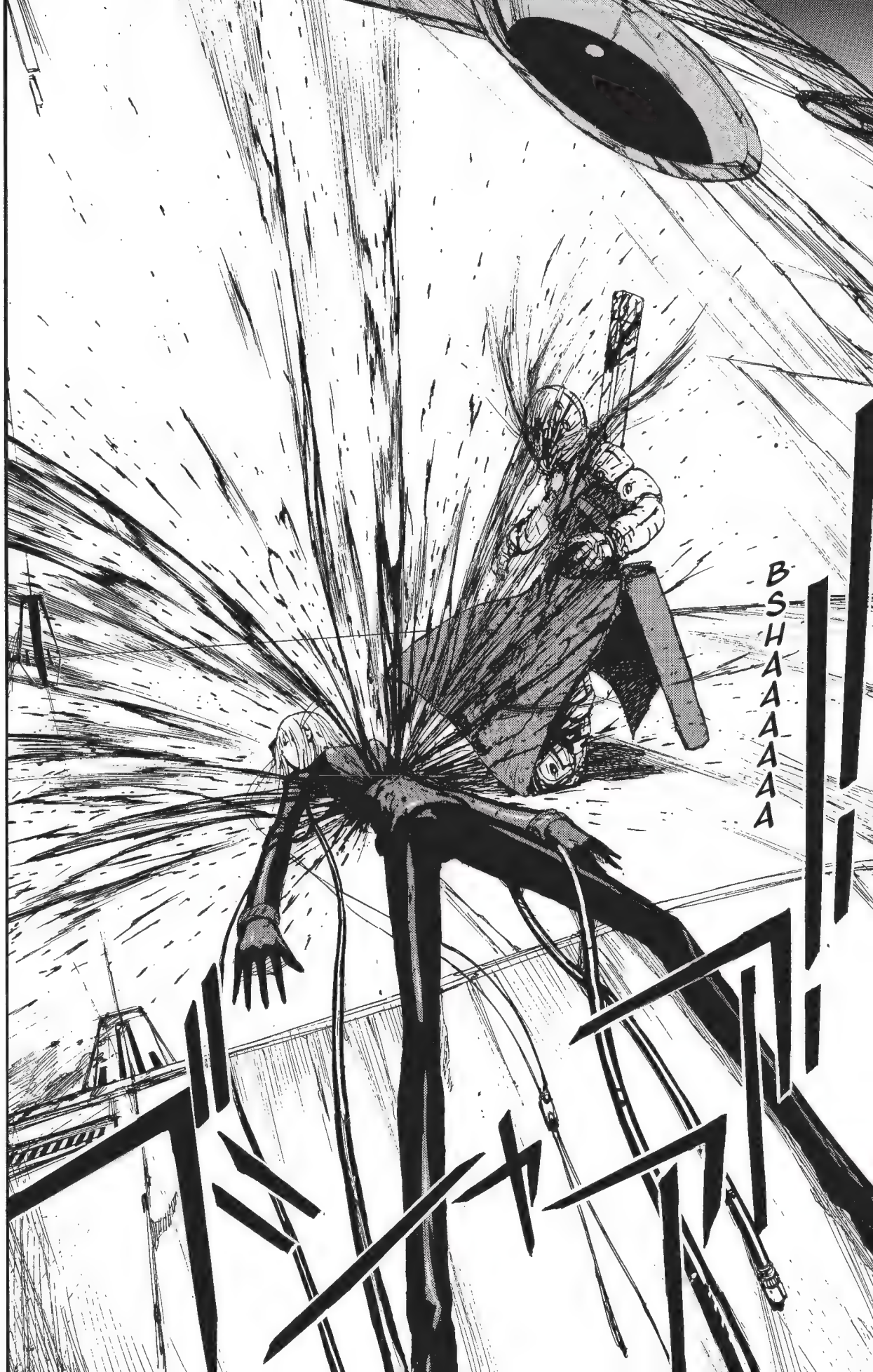




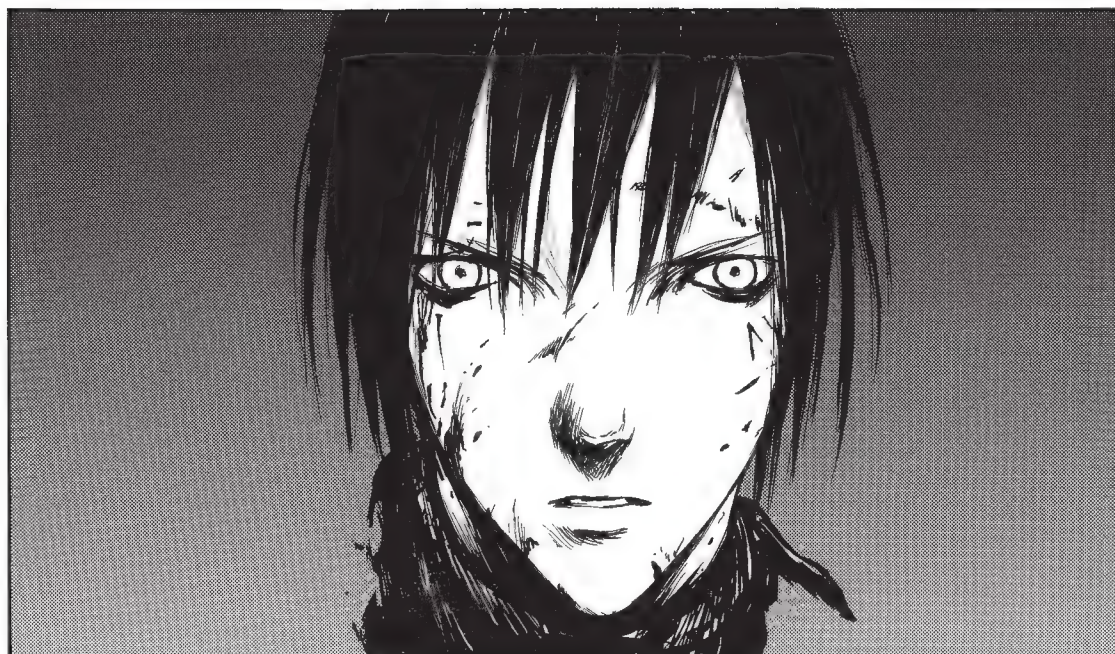








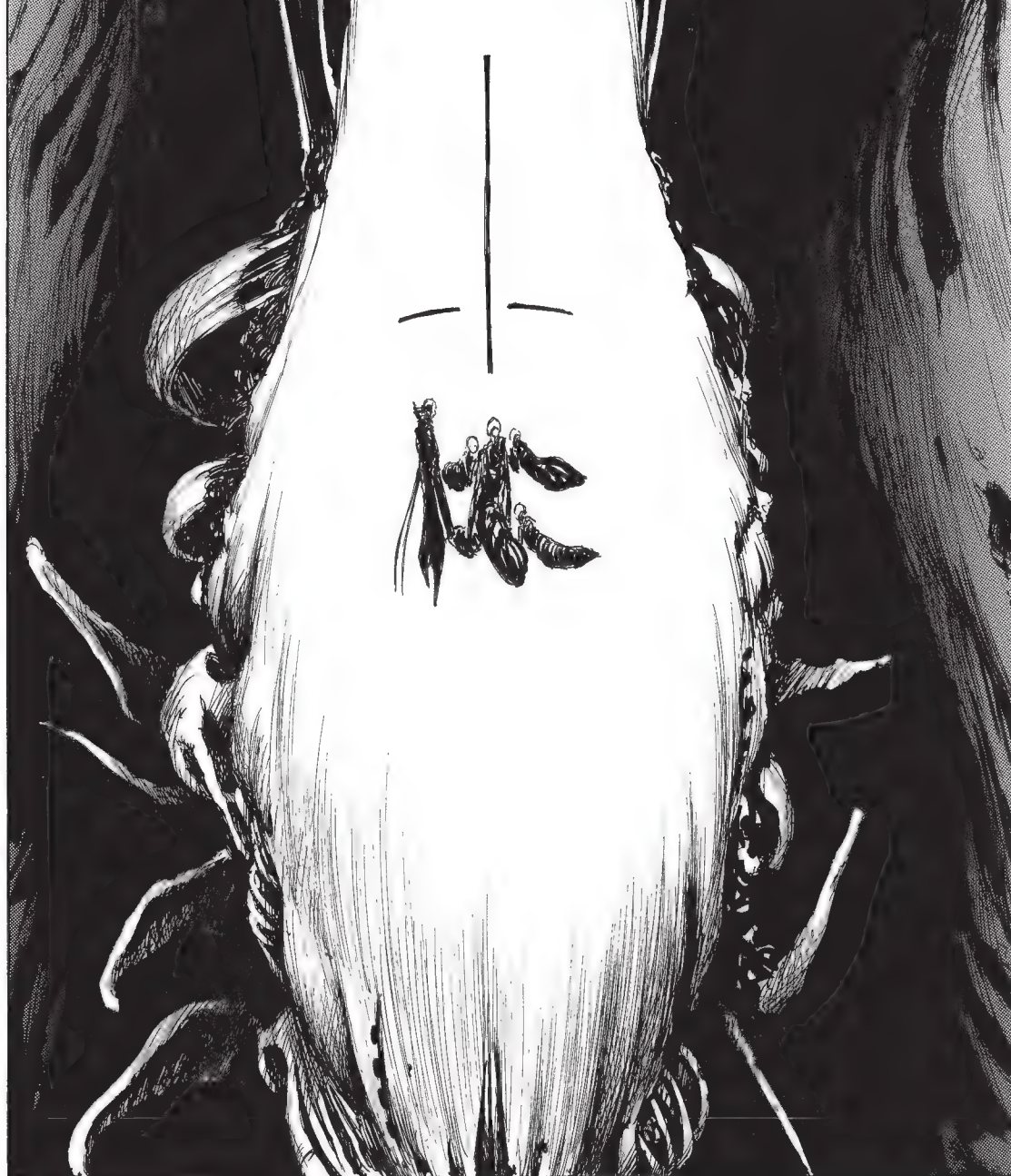
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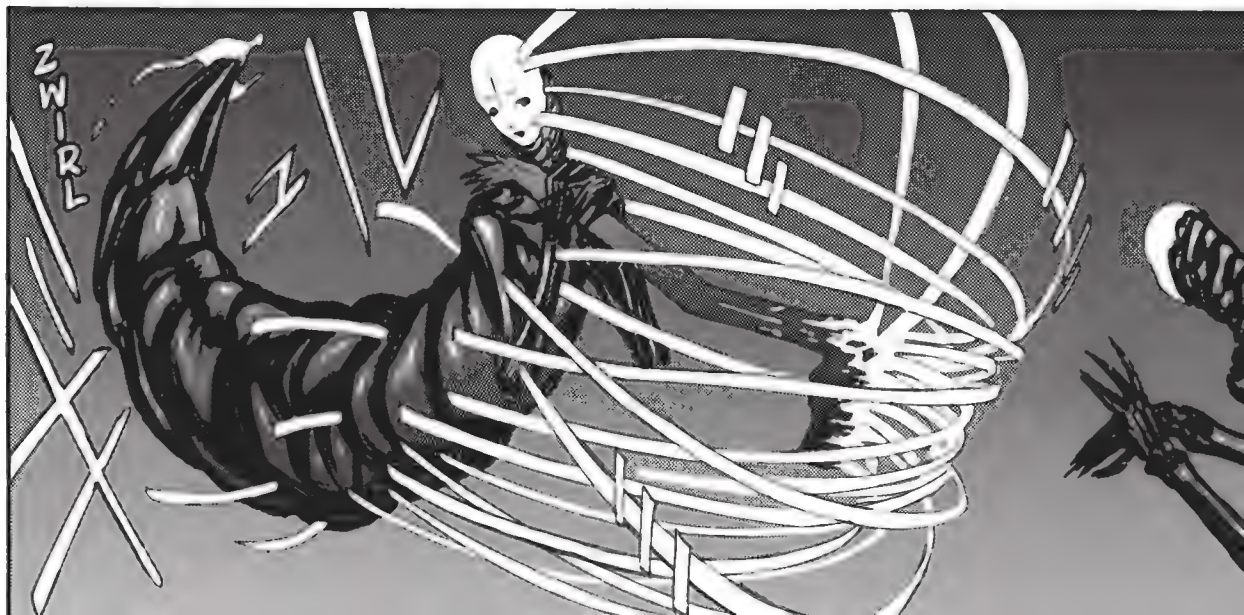
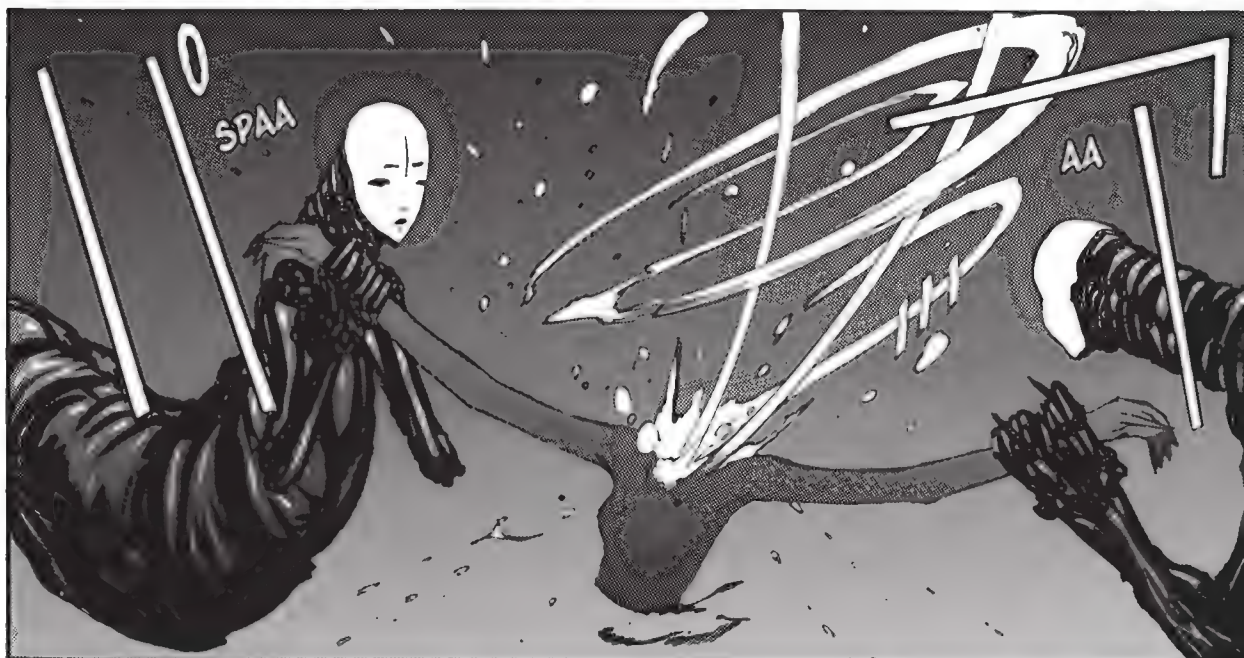
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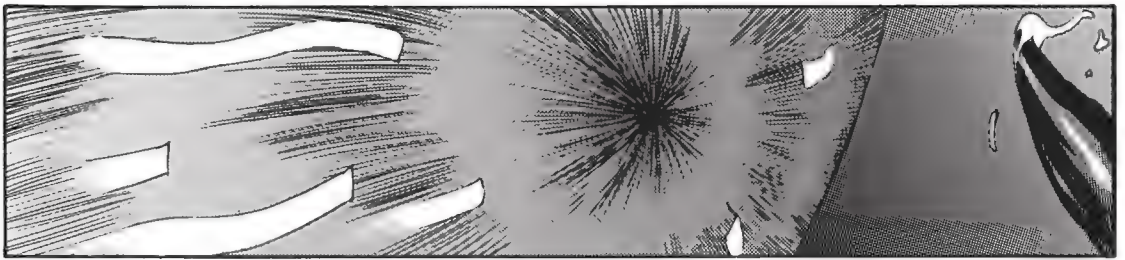
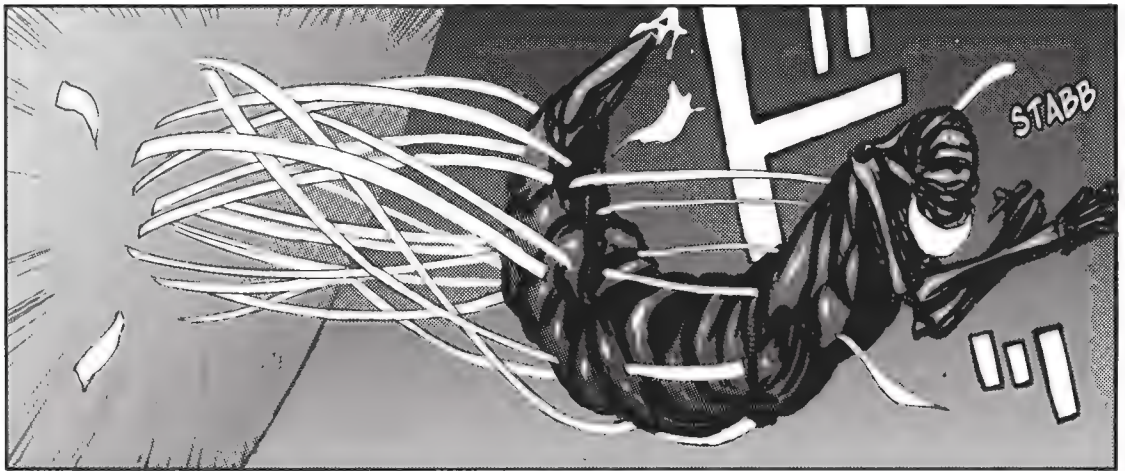


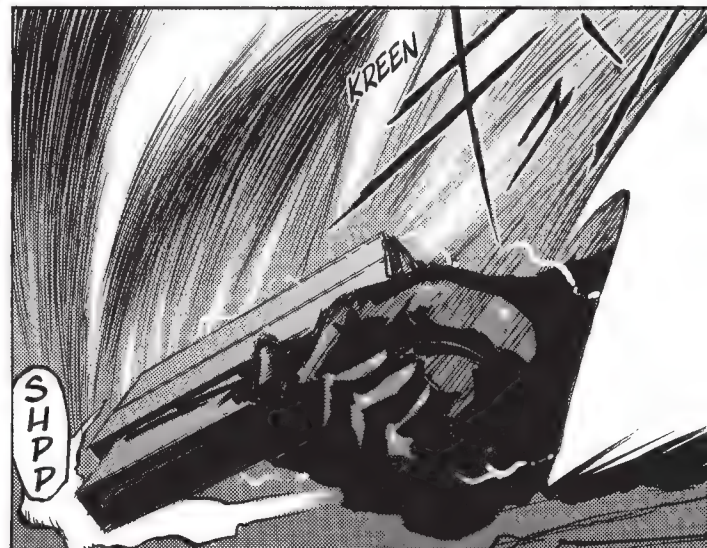
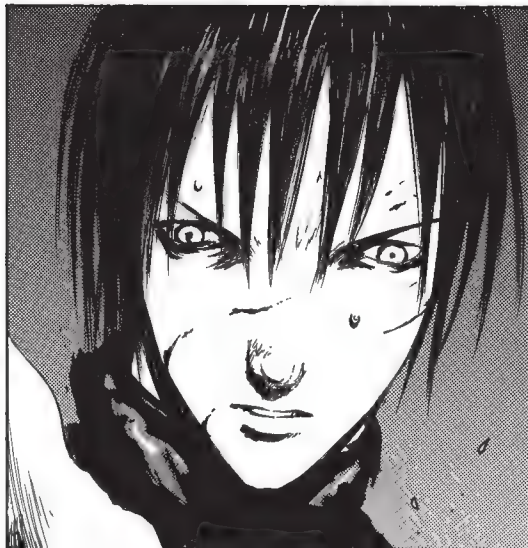
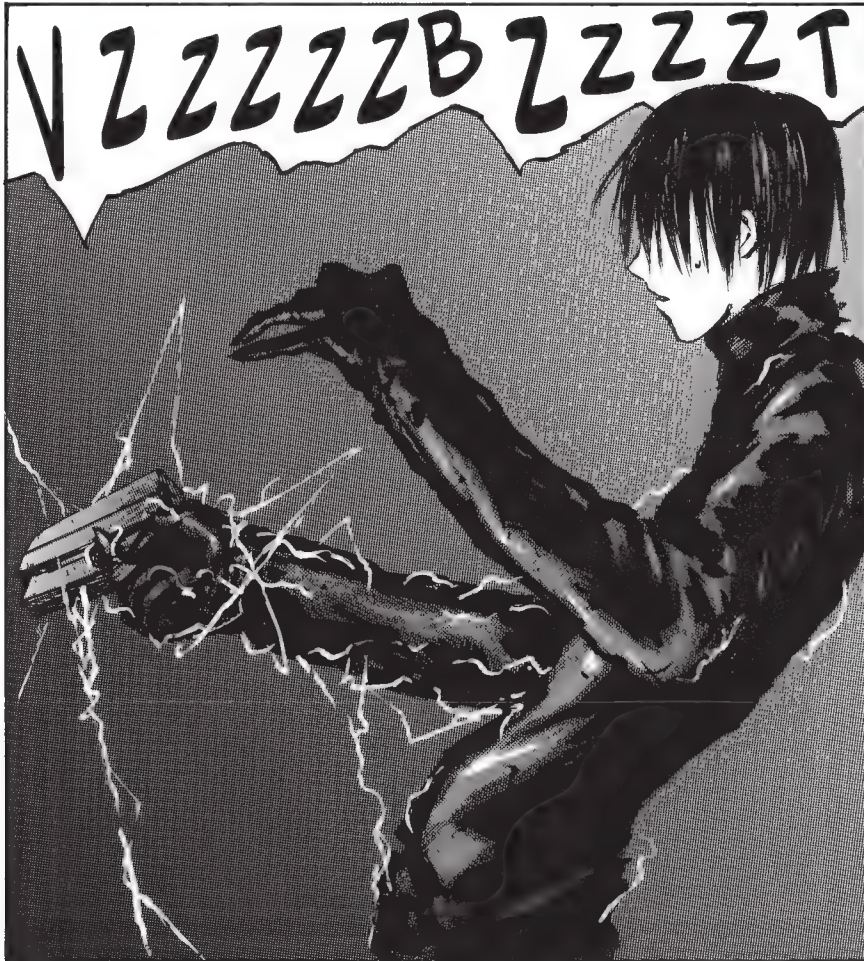


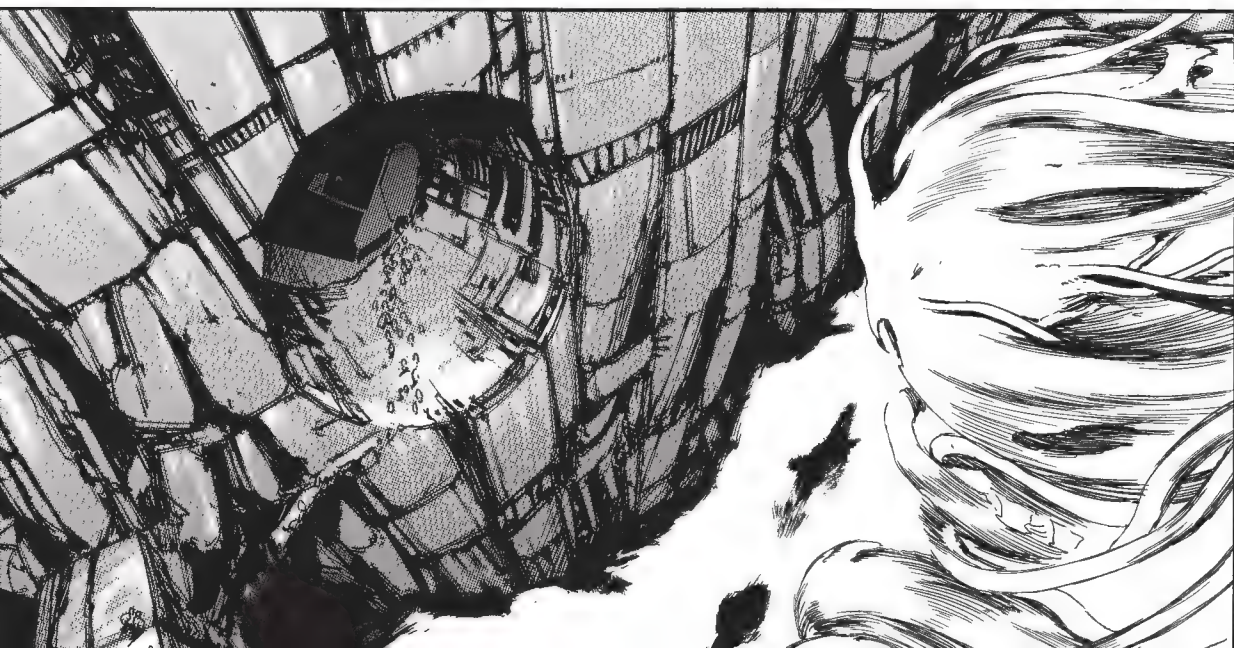
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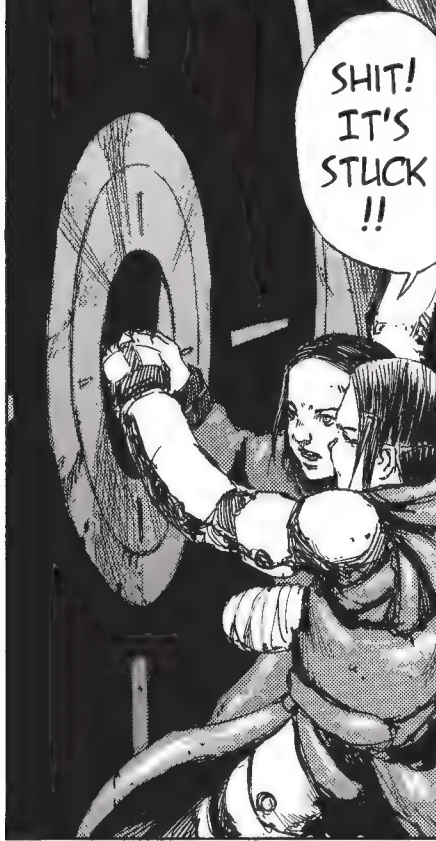


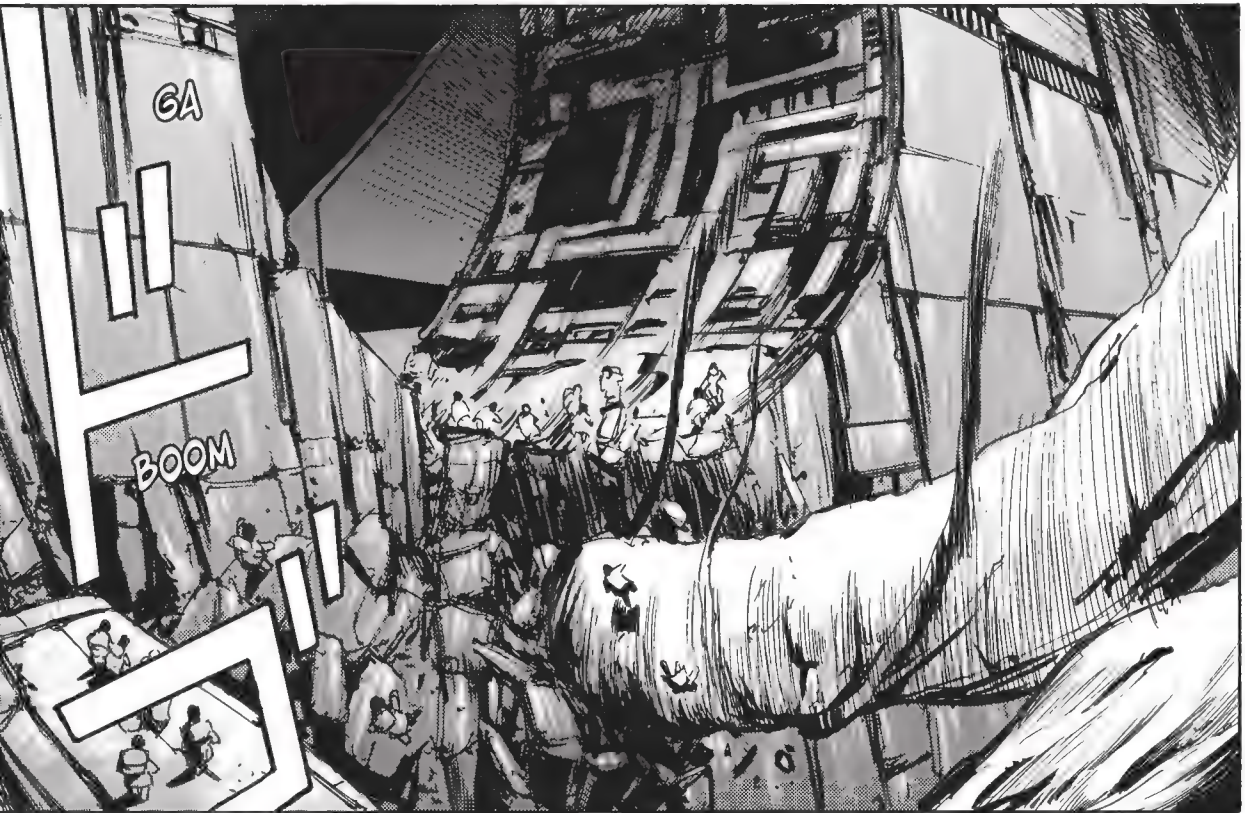


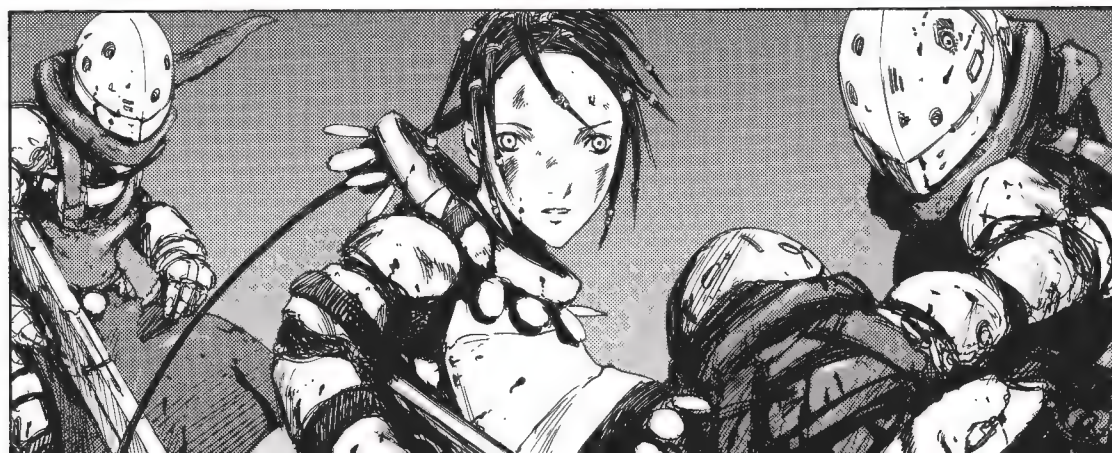




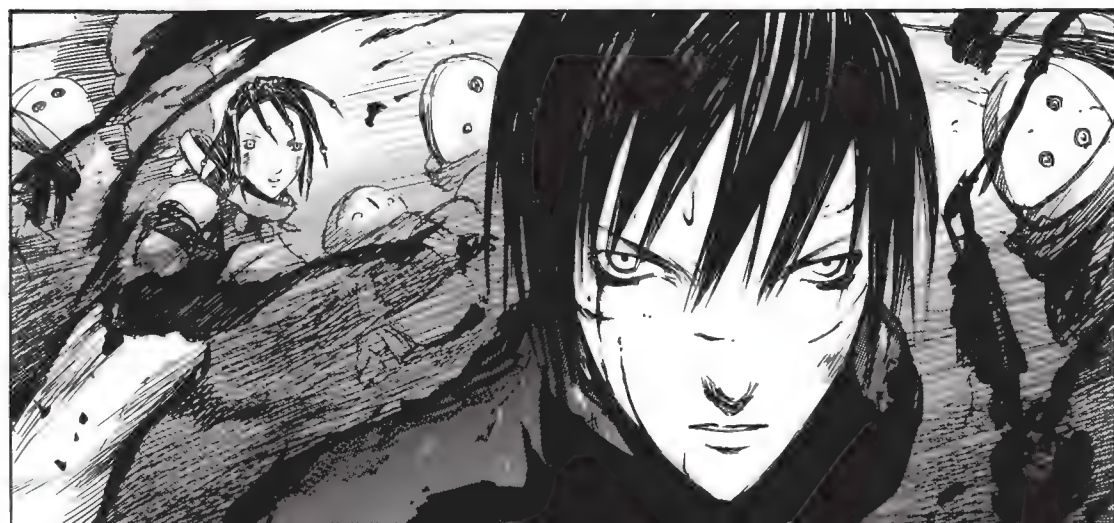
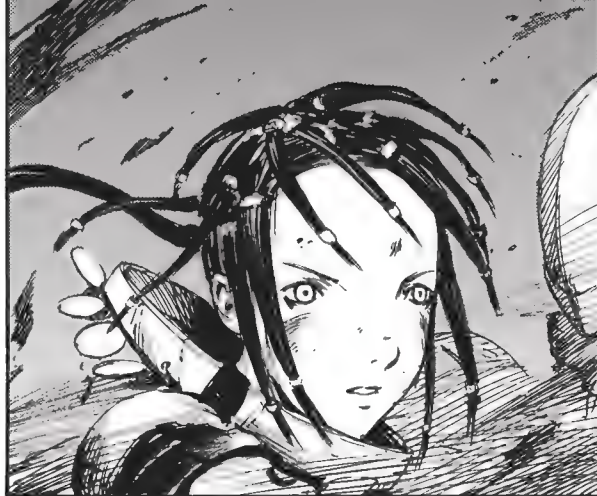


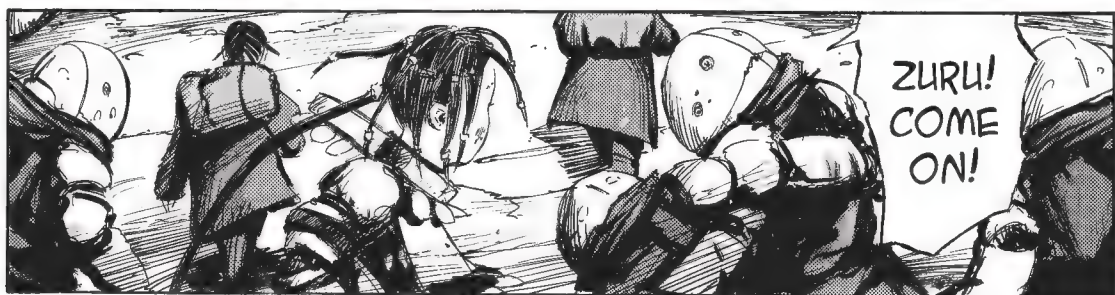
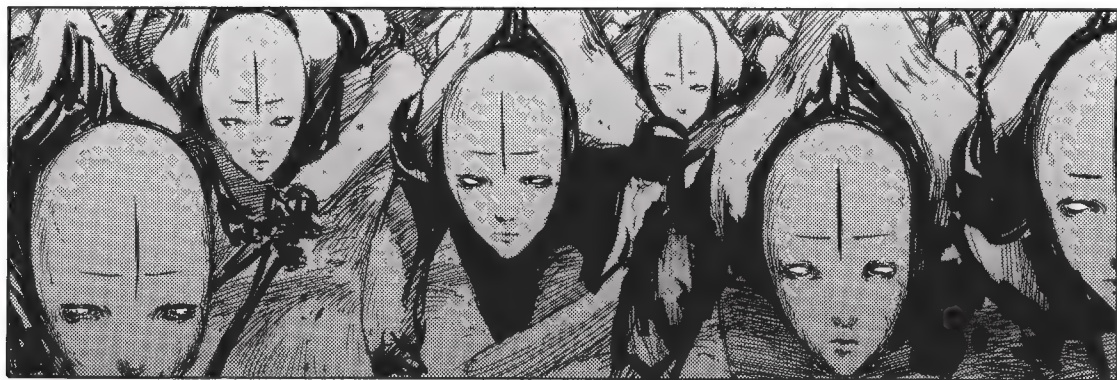


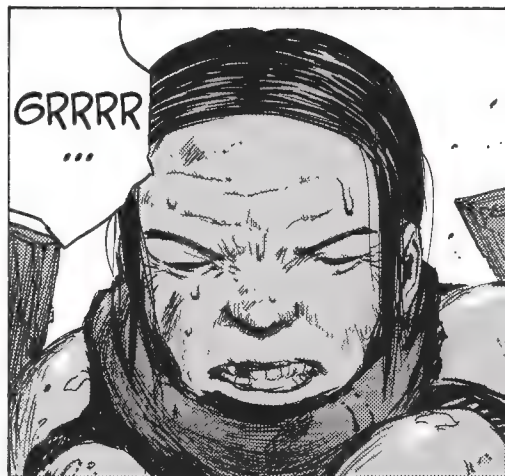
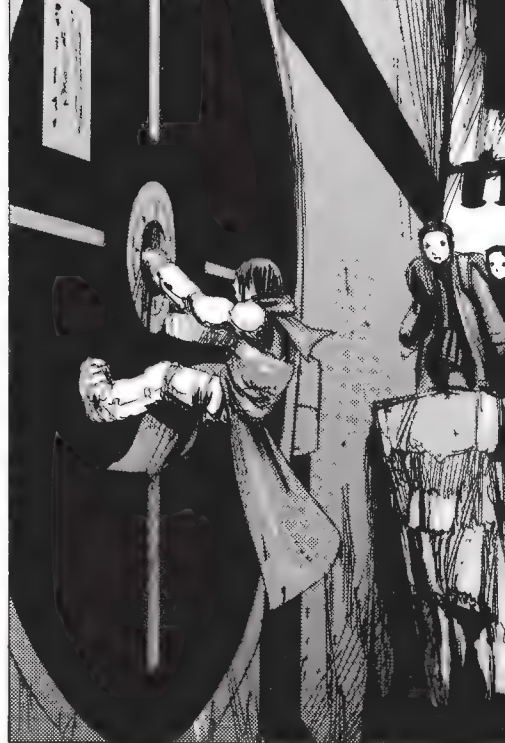




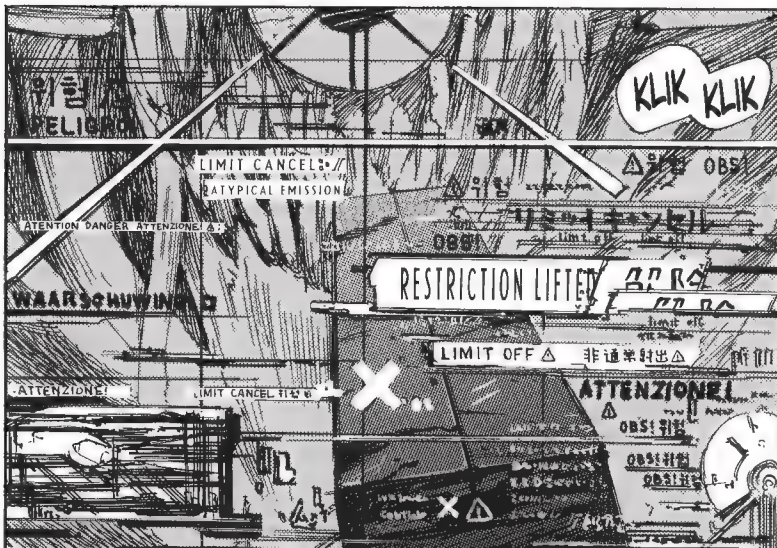
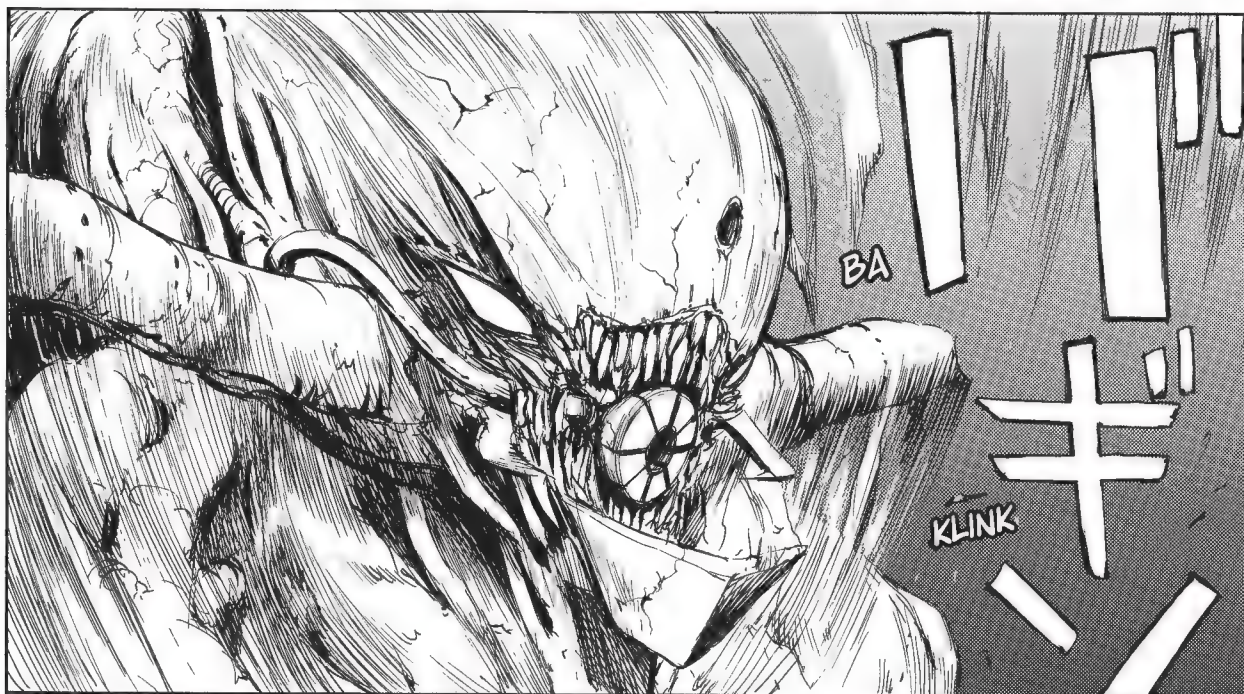




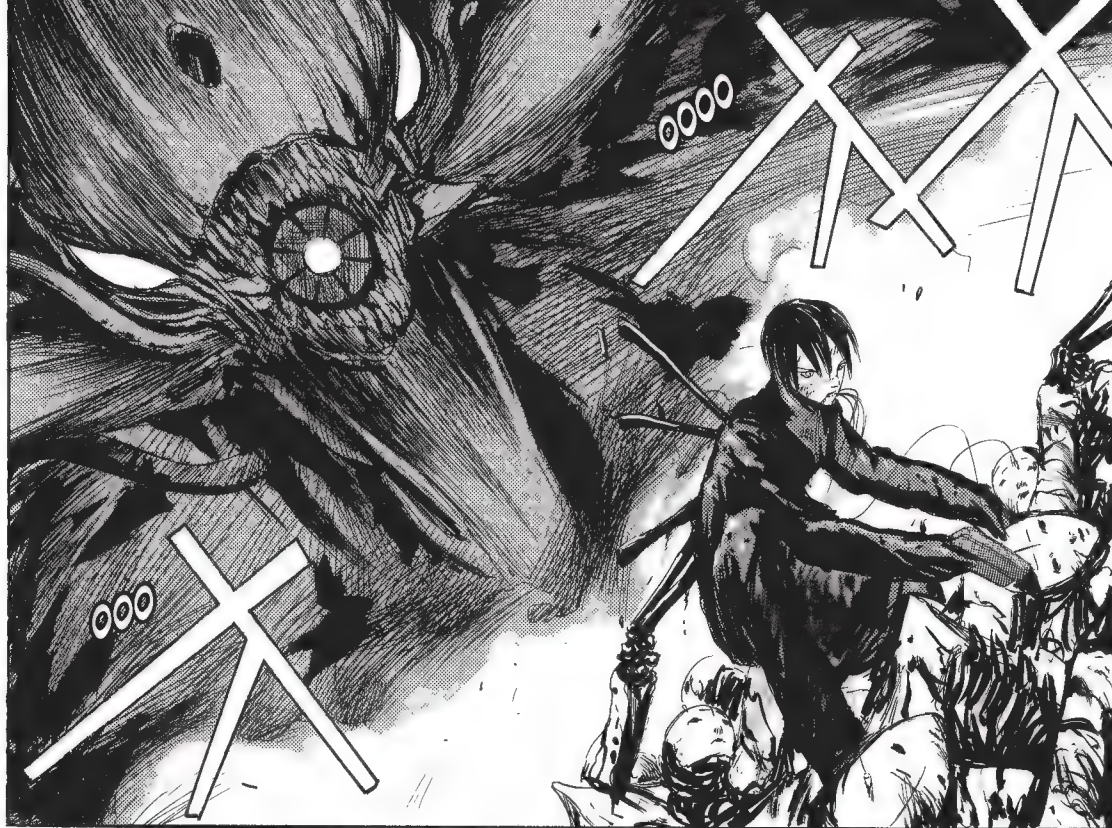


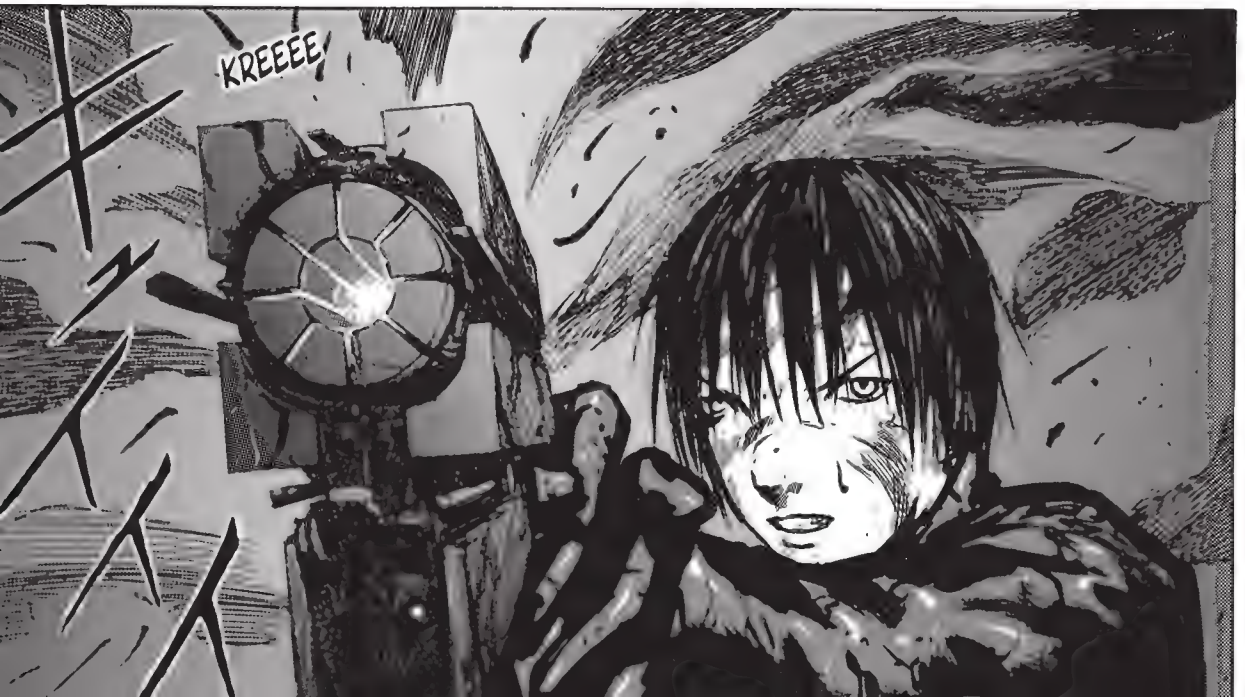
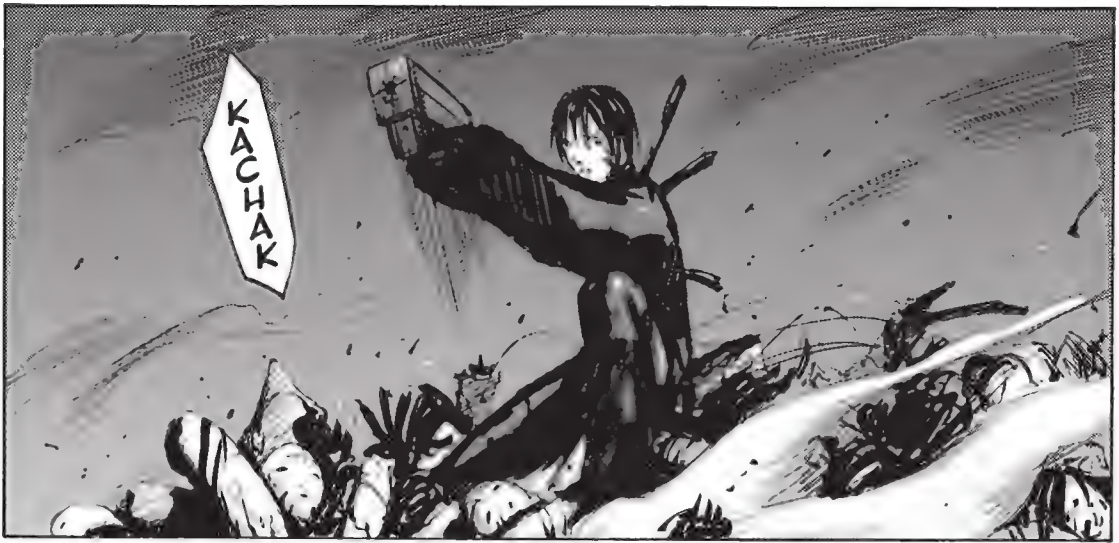




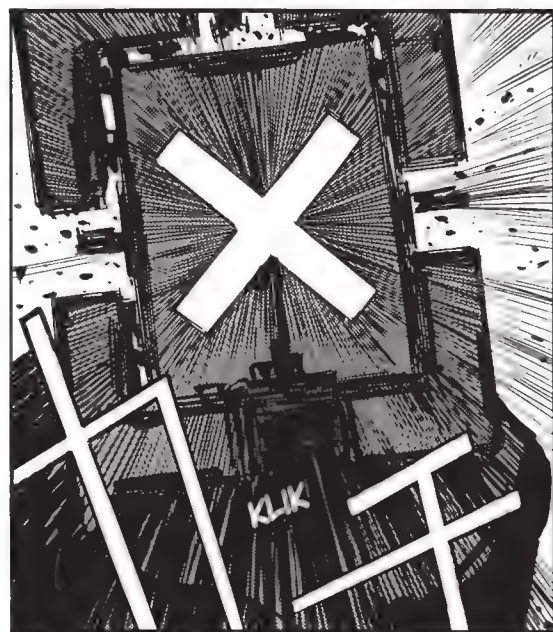
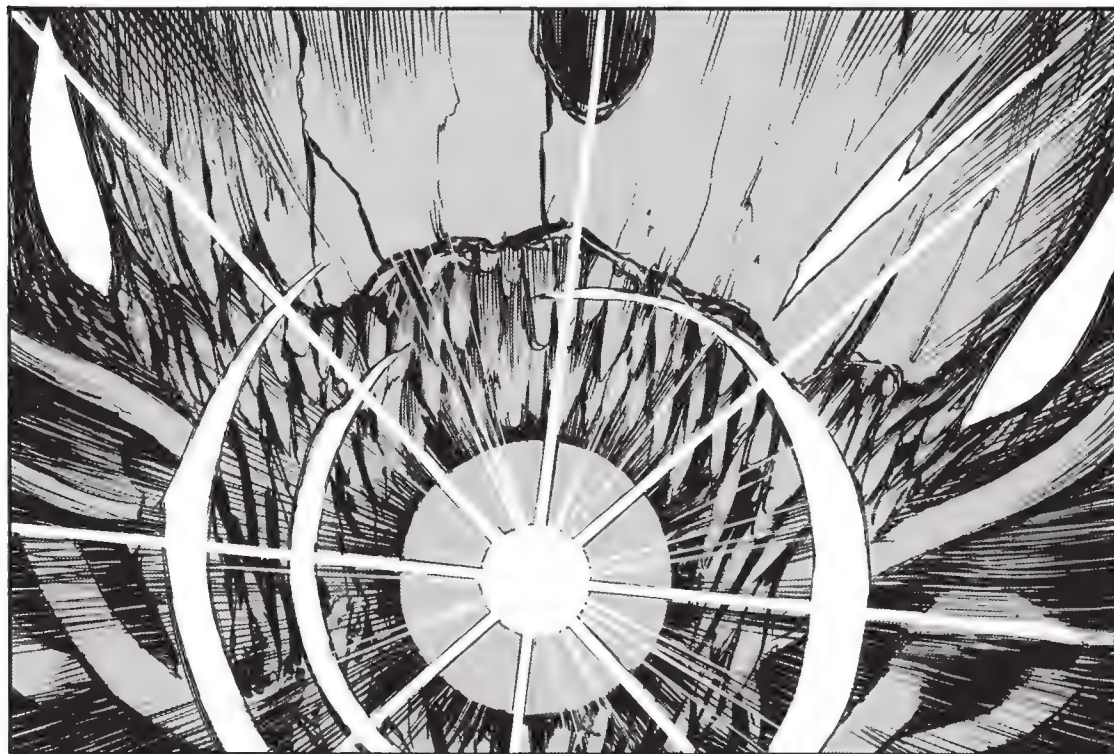
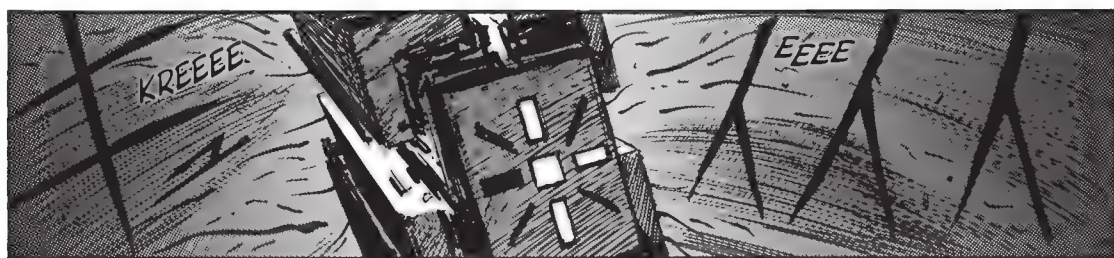




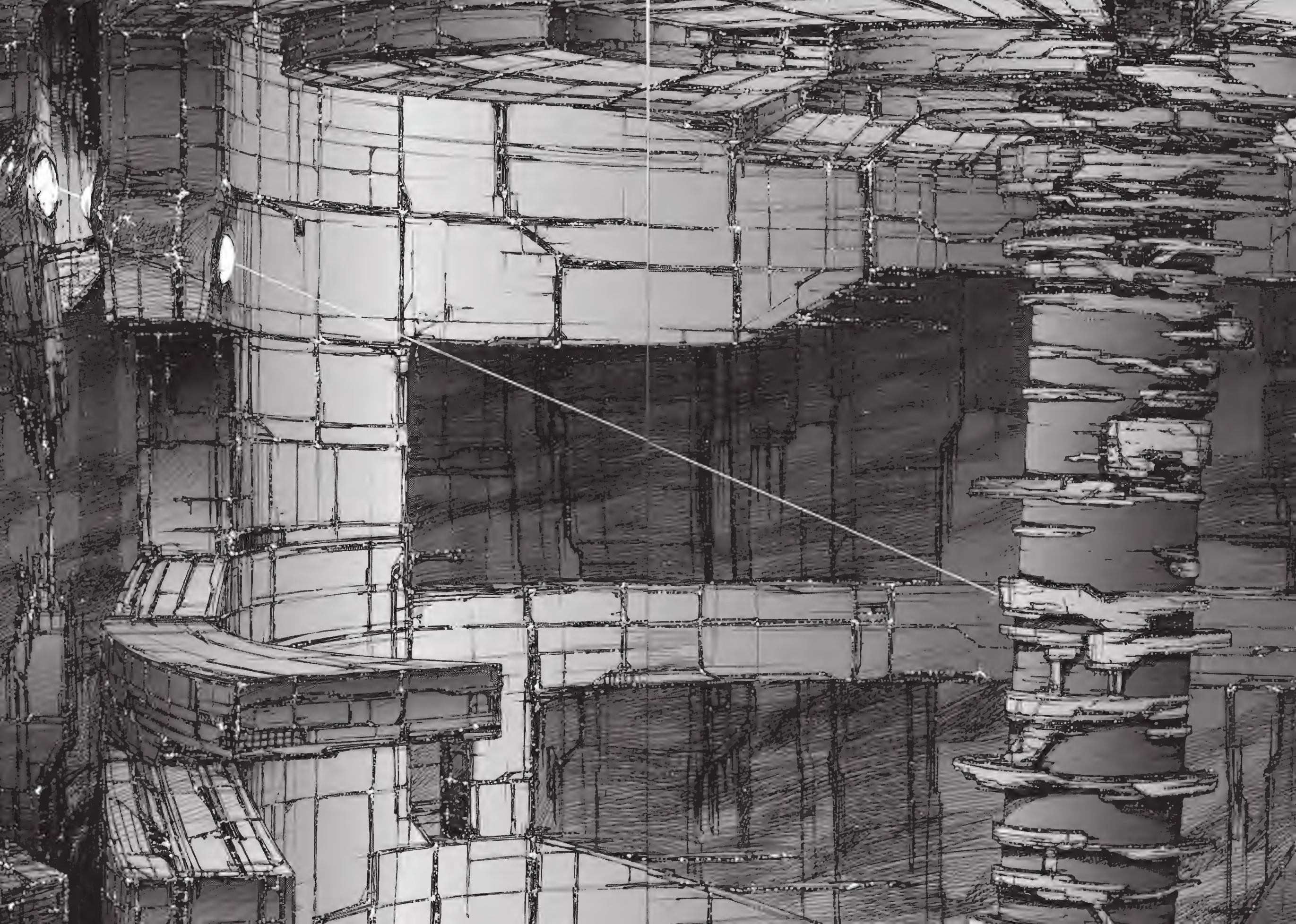














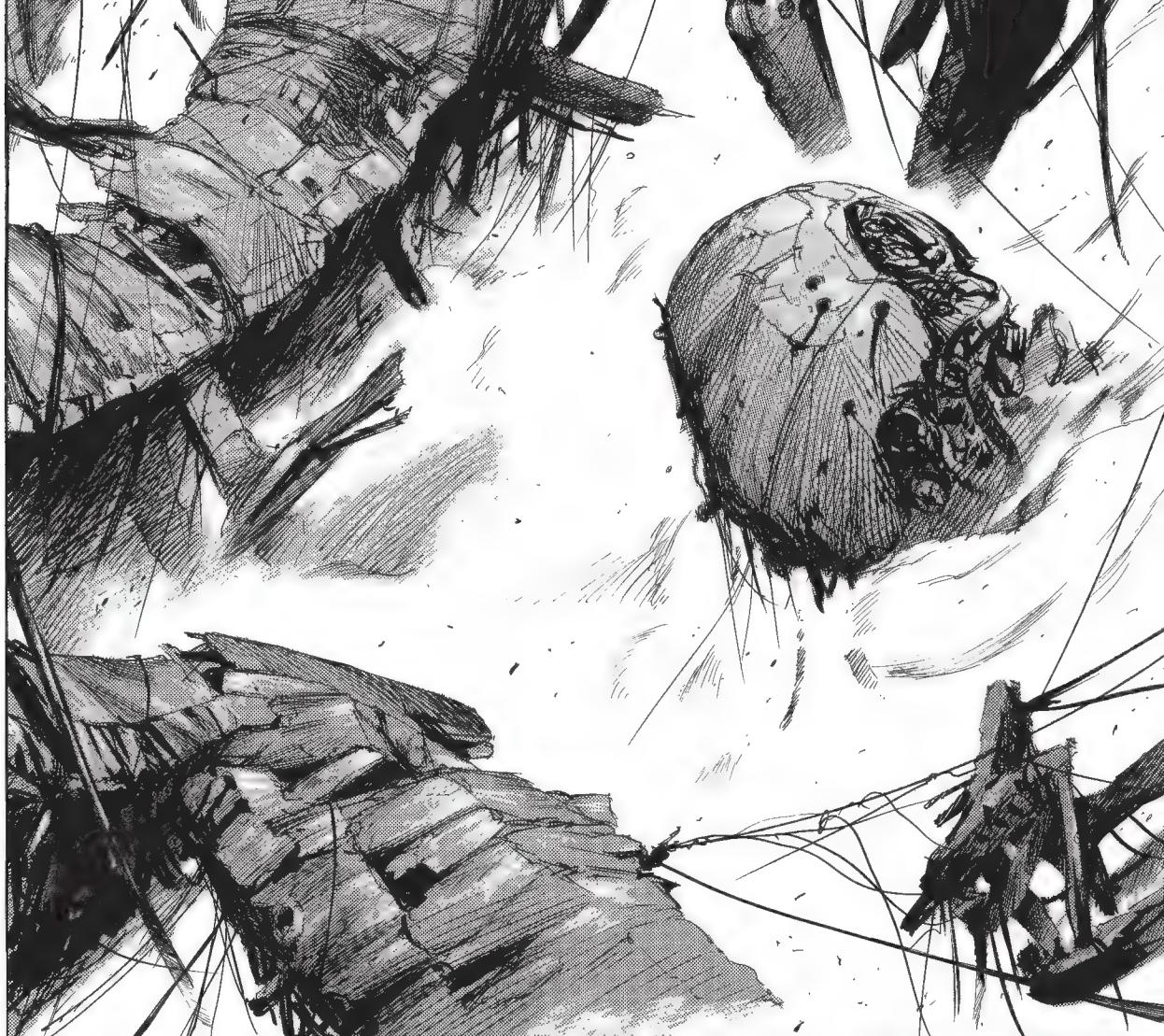


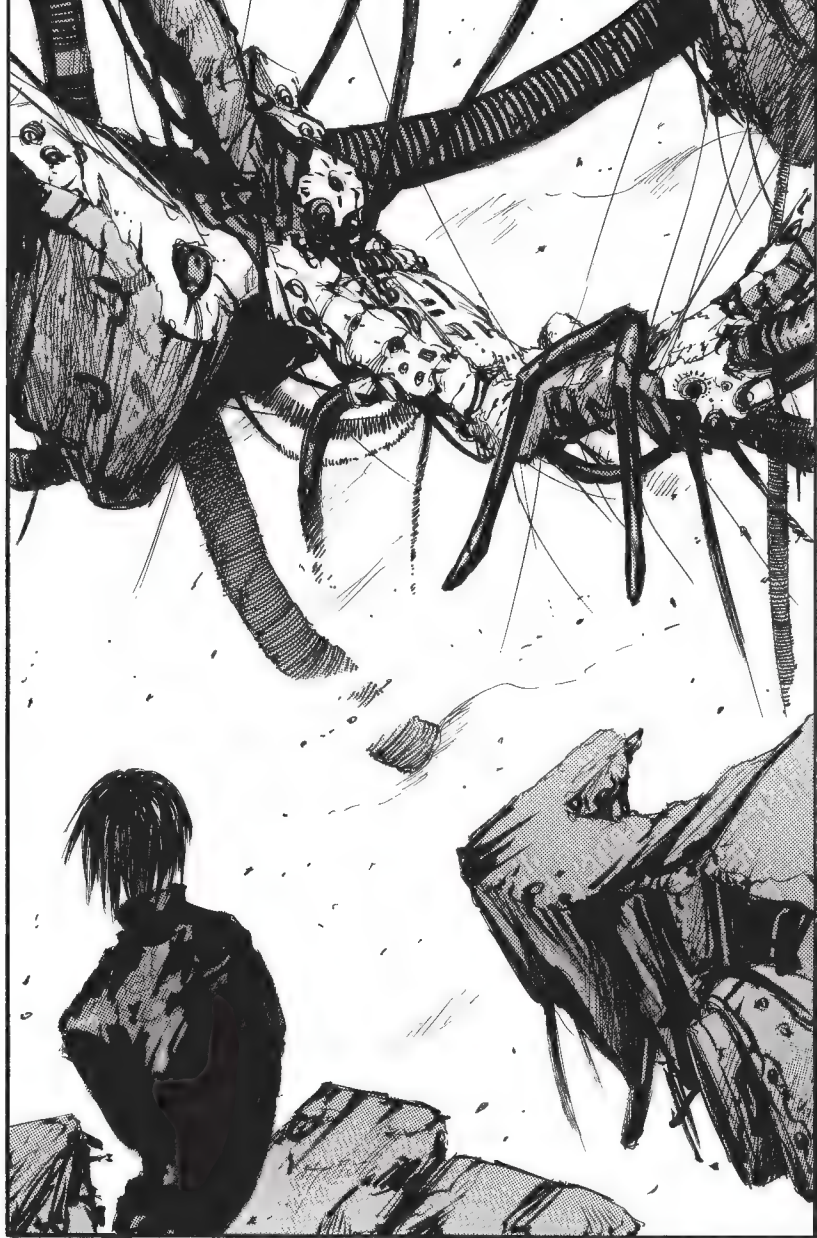


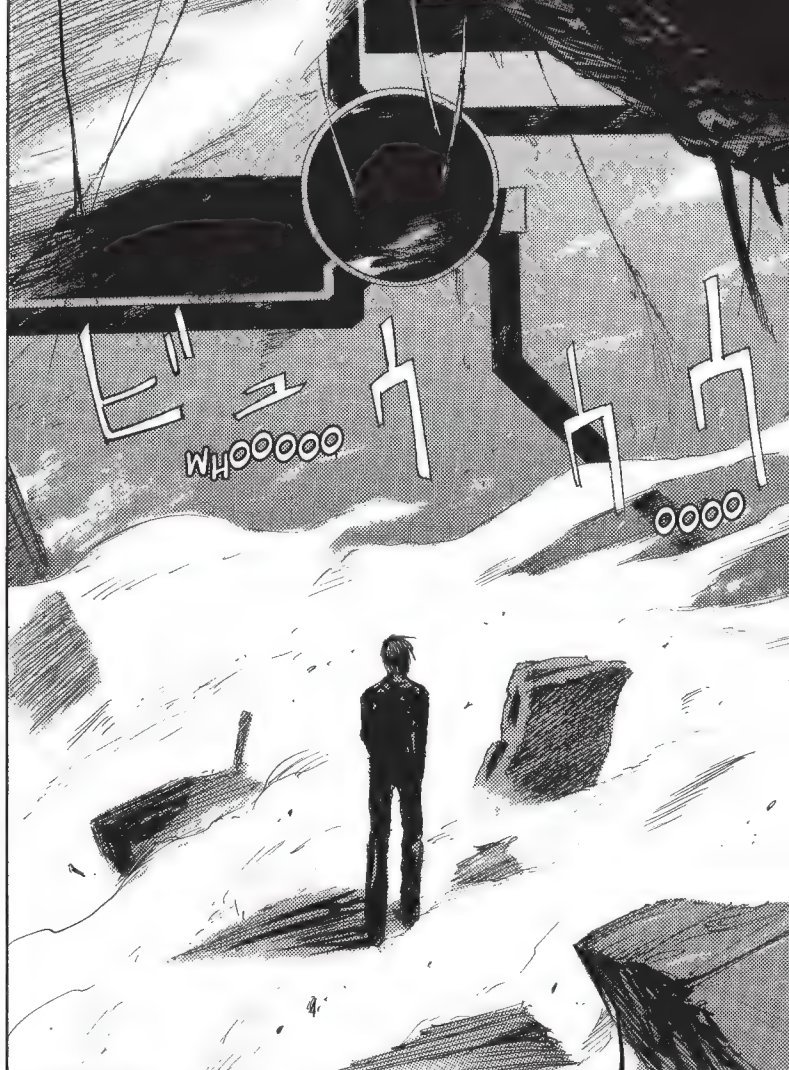


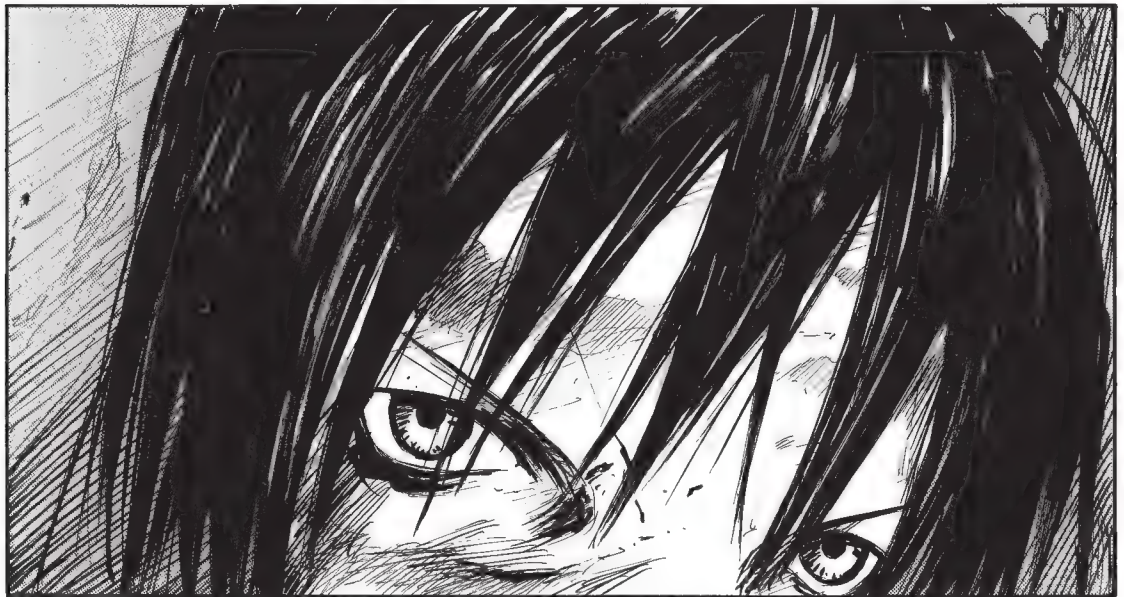


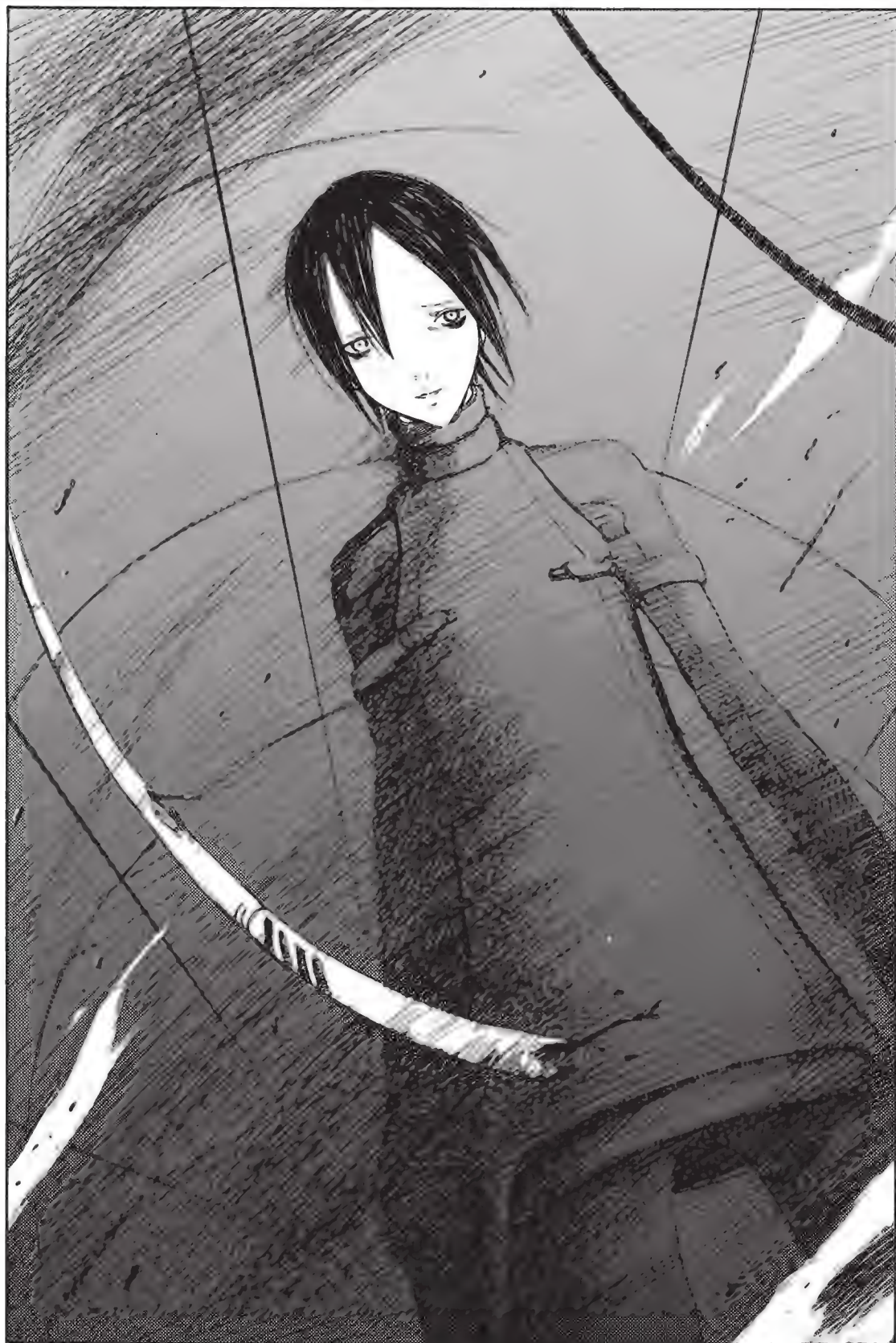














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